6th Night: "I wish"
THE LEFT HAND OF AN ANGEL, THE RIGHT HAND OF A DEMON!
WITH BOTH HANDS, GRAB THE LIGHT AND THE DARKNESS! POWERFUL EMOTIONS ACCUMULATE AT FULL SPEED!!
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THE SILVERY CROW
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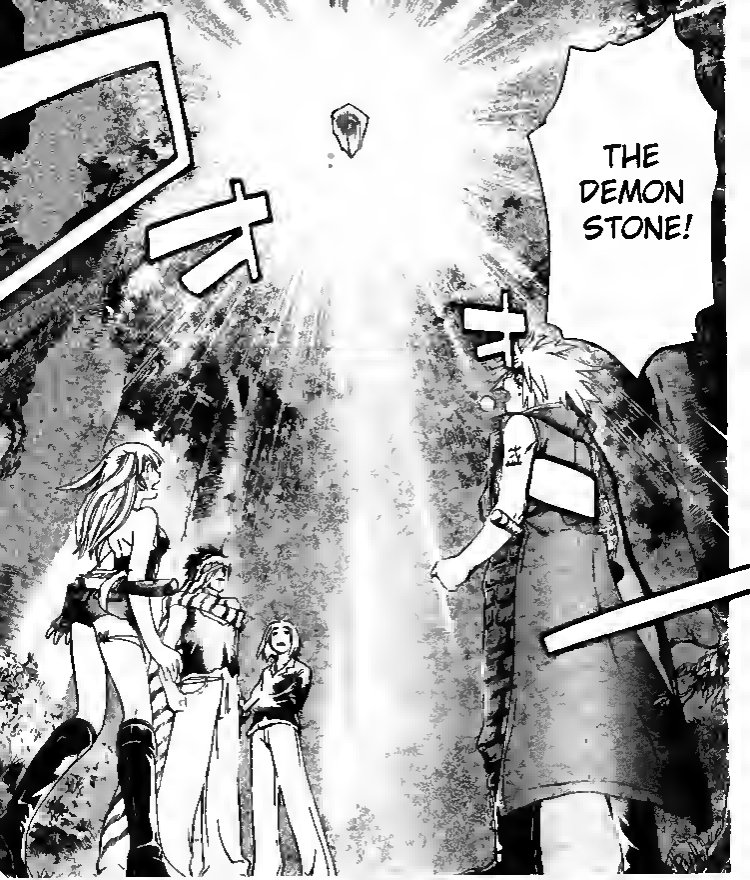
THE DEMON STONE!
KID, THIS IS DANGEROUS. STAY AWAY
Y-YES
THE DEMON STONE

IS MINE!!
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THAT THE DEMON STONE BELONGS TO ME - HURRICANE JIN
I'M AFRAID ...
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IT'S MINE!!

AHHHHH! IT'S MINE, I HAVE IT!
A COUPON FOR CURRY!!
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YES!! NOW IT'S MINE!

IT'S MINE! GIMMIE!
GIVE IT UP ALREADY.
I'M SORRY, BUT I DON'T THINK SO ...
LITTLE GIRLS SHOULDN'T BE PLAYING WITH THINGS LIKE THIS...IT BELONGS TO US.
WHAT?!

GIVE IT BACK!
IT'S MINE!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
WITH A HAND LIKE THIS... WHAT ARE YOU THINKING OF DOING?
JOHN!
BASTARD....
BOSS!!
YOU'RE PISSING ME OFF!!

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NOTHING HAPPENED WHEN HE TOUCHED HIS HAND
BUT...
WH-WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
SURP-RISED?
YOUR POWER OF THE CROW IS USELESS AGAINST ME
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THERE ARE REALLY TWO TYPES OF POWER IN THIS WORLD.
THAT DARK POWER, OR "ZERO FORCE", IS THE POWER OF CROWS, THE POWER TO ACHIEVE ULTIMATE DESTRUCTION
generate force
生法力
zero force
無法力
AND I HAVE THE OTHER POWER, "GENERATE FORCE", CAPABLE OF CREATING A NEW WORLD
I AM WHAT YOU WOULD CALL A GENIUS OF CREATION.
SO... THE ZERO FORCE AND THE GENERATE FORCE ARE EQUAL YET OPPOSITE FORCES.
I SUPPOSE THAT THE SEAL YOU HAVE ON YOUR ARM W.S DONE BY SOMEONE WITH THE GENERATE FORCE.
THAT SEAL ISOLATES THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER THAT CONSUMES PART OF YOUR ARM. THE PERSON WHO CRE.TED IT W.S PROB.BLY A GREAT M.STER OF ENERGY.

OR IT MAY BE THAT ...
BUT... THAT GUY IS A THIEF. HOW CAN HE USE GENERATIVE FORCE?
HE TRAINED TO USE THAT POWER
SIXTEEN YEARS AGO, THE DEMON STONE WAS COLLECTED AND EVERYTHING DISAPPEARED THIS WAS THE SECOND ZERO WAR
BUT I'M SURE YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS ALREADY. ISN'T IT BEAUTIFUL?
YOU KNOW EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED SIXTEEN YEARS AGO AND EVERYTHING ABOUT WHAT THE DEMON STONE CAN DO
VERY FEW PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT IT

BE CAREFUL OF WHAT YOU SAY!
AND NOW GIVE ME THE DEMON STONE!!
I SAID NO!
ARE YOU A FOOL OR WHAT?

FLY-
ING?!
I TOLD
YOU
IT
IS
MINE!!

NO!!
J... JOHN
I'LL SAY IT AGAIN
I'M NOT FINISHED YET!!
WELL, I'M DONE PLAYING WITH YOU
HIS ARM IS BEING CONSUMED
WHY DOES HE WANT THE DEMON STONE SO BADLY?
HE IS SO DESPERATE

I DON'T NEED ANY OF THAT NONSENSE.
I...
FAME? MONEY? POWER?
WHY DO YOU WANT IT?
I NEED IT. IT'S MINE
...
I NEED THE DEMON STONE TO TURN MYSELF HUMAN!!
THIS ALL HAPPENED BECAUSE OF THE SECOND ZERO WAR. I WANT TO RETURN INTO A NORMAL HUMAN, WITHOUT THIS CURSED ARM!!!
HE WANTS TO BECOME HUMAN AGAIN THAT IS HIS WISH?
HUMAN
...BUT THAT CAN ONLY MEAN JOHN W.'S PART OF THE SECOND ZERO WAR SIXTEEN YEARS AGO

HA HA HA !!
YOU'RE FUNNY, SILVER!! YOU HAVE HIGH HOPES HUH?! "I WANT TO BE HUMAN "
YOU DON'T NEED THE DEMON STONE FOR A STUPID DREAM LIKE THAT
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES
I... WILL NEVER GIVE UP!!
IT'S WHAT I PROMISED MY FAMILY!!
SO YOU WANT TO USE THE DEMON STONE TO TURN HUMAN AND REMOVE THAT CROW YOU'RE CARRYING IN YOUR BODY, HUH?
IT SEEMS THAT YOU HAVE A REAL PROBLEM... SPENDING YOUR ENERGY USING THAT ARM OF YOURS. YOU'LL SOON BECOME A CROW CONSUMED BY THE ZERO FORCE.
YOUR FAM-ILY

I DON'T CARE
MY LIFE HAS ALWAYS BEEN "STEAL OR DIE," BUT NOW IT'S DIFFERENT.
THERE ARE THINGS I WANT TO DO... BUT WITH THIS HAND?
EVERYTHING IT TOUCHES TURNS INTO DARKNESS
THERE IS SOMETHING I WANT.
I WANT THE LIGHT!!
I WANT TO TOUCH IT!!

I DON'T BELIEVE IN GODS IF I WANT SOMETHING I TAKE IT
JOHN... YOU ARE...
HE WASN'T LYING
IT'S STEAL OR DIE!
THAT TIME
TAKE IT AND LIVE ON
YOU NEED TO DO IT TO MAKE YOUR FATHER'S DREAM A REALITY
STEAL
OR DIE
I LIKE IT, SILVER
IF YOU'VE DECIDED, THEN I CAN'T HOLD BACK
YOU HAVE DECIDED TO DIE !!

DON'T WORRY HE WON'T KILL ANYONE WHO CAN'T DEFEND THEMSELVES. THAT WOULD BE CRUEL, WOULDN'T IT?
HUH?!
BECAUSE BOSS CAN'T SEE WELL UP CLOSE BUT EVERY NOW AND THEN WE SEE HIS TRUE FACE
THE ATMOSPHERE HAS CHANGED
WHAT? DEATH?
AND WHY DID HE PUT ON GLASSES?
BUT...
I DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT A STUPID ROCK THAT CAN FULFILL PEOPLE'S DREAMS
NOW THAT I HAVE THE DEMON STONE I'LL TRUST YOU WITH SOMETHING ...
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE AGAINST ANYONE
....
TRUST?

I'M NOT THINKING OF GIVING UP!!
EHH?!
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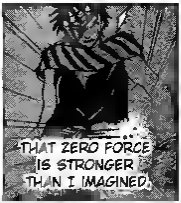
DIE, SILVER WING!!
I CAN'T MOVE!
HOW? THE WIND IS SURROUNDING ME!
SORRY, BUT
I CAN USE MY POWER TO MANIPULATE THE AIR. THIS IS MY OWN TECHNIQUE

WAIT!
DON'T DO IT!
THE DEMON STONE
IT'S MINE!!

KASAMI!
UOOO-OOH!!

SILVER WING ...
DAMN B*ST*RD ....

MY WIND HAS BEEN CONSUMED?!


THAT ZERO FORCE IS STRONGER THAN I IMAGINED.

UGH!

THE DEMON STONE IS MINE!!
HIS DETERMINATION HAS LED HIM TO VICTORY! BUT WHY HAS THE DEMONIC POWER BEEN HIDDEN BEHIND BANDAGES ALL THIS TIME? WHAT HAPPENED SIXTEEN YEARS AGO?!
JOHN... YOUR ARM!

LEGEND SAYS THAT THE DEMON STONE CAN GRANT ANY WISH. WHEN THE THIRTEEN FRAGMENTS ARE GATHERED TOGETHER, THE COMPLETED STONE HAS THE POWER TO FULFILL ANY DESIRE, INCLUDING CHANGING THE WORLD. JOHN ELEGADINE, ALSO KNOWN AS THE INFAMOUS SILVER WING, AND LU LARUE, A YOUNG THIEF, ENCOUNTER THE DEMON STONE. AFTER THE FIGHT WITH KAZAMI, THE STONE FALLS INTO THE HANDS OF JOHN
THE DEMON STONE IS MINE!!
THE DEMONIC HAND HAS BEEN UNVEILED!! WITH THE DEMON STONE IN HIS POSSESSION, WHAT WILL JOHN DO NOW?!
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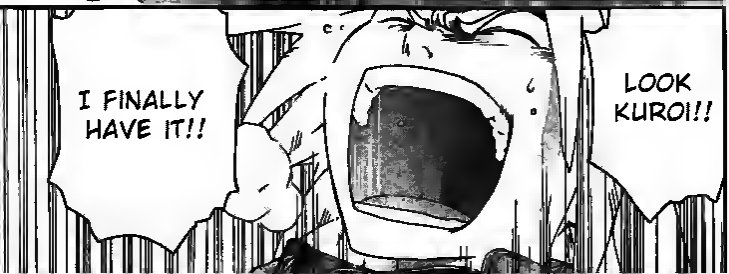
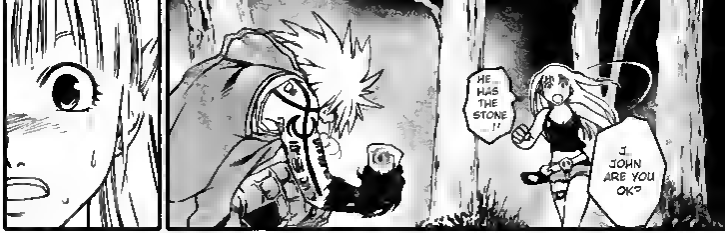
THE SILVERY FLOWER
7TH NIGHT: KUROI


I FINALLY HAVE IT!!
LOOK KUROI!!


HE HAS THE STONE!!
J. JOHN ARE YOU OK?

IT'S AS IF IT HAS A LIFE OF ITS OWN...
THAT HAND ISN'T EVEN HUMAN NOR CROW...

A RING...? OR A LOCK OF SOME KIND...
AND WHAT IS THAT?!

KUROI IS MY FAMILY!!

JOHN... YOUR HAND...
AND... WHO IS KUROI?!

IT'S REALLY WEIRD!!
WHAT IS THAT BLACK ARM?!
JOHN!!
HEY!
WAAH !!
MONSTER!
HE'S GONNA GET US, RUN!
OW !!
I'M GOING TO BEAT THE CRAP OUT OF YOU GUYS!
QUIET!!
JUST A GROUP OF STUPID BULLIES! I'M STRONG, I SHOULDN'T HAVE TO PUT UP WITH THIS!!
HEY JOHN! ARE YOU FIGHTING AGAIN?
IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME, EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO

KUROI...!
OH, SO YOU AREN'T ... GOOD... YOU HUNGRY?
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YOU REALLY LIKE CURRY, HUH?
BETTER EAT FAST GUYS, OR JOHN IS GONNA EAT EVERYTHING!!
YEAH!
THIS CURRY IS THE BEST!!
LOOK BOSS, HE'S BEATING YOU!
BASTARDS ARE EATING TOO MUCH ...
THIS CURRY ISN'T BAD, BUT DON'T YOU THINK THAT A MOTHER'S IS BETTER? HOME COOKING IS THE BEST AFTER ALL
DAWN LADY SHUT IT ALREADY
DON'T YOU THINK SO, JOHN?
I DON'T KNOW.

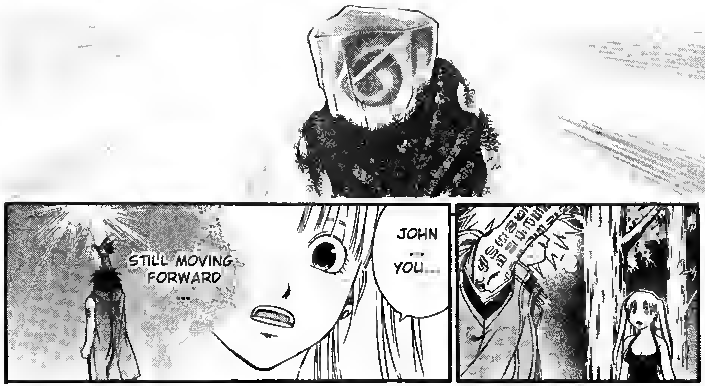
I DON'T HAVE A HOME NO PARENTS... NOTHING LIKE THAT SOMEHOW I ENDED UP WITH KURO!
I SUPPOSE MY PARENTS ABANDONED ME BECAUSE I HAVE THIS WEIRD ARM
REALLY? THEN YOU'RE IN LUCK!
SOMEONE WHO HAS NEVER TASTED HIS MOTHER'S CURRY WILL BE ABLE TO APPRECIATE ANY CURRY HE EATS!!
YOU'RE ONE OF US, JOHN!!
SO STARTING FROM NOW, WE'RE YOUR FAMILY!!
F... FAMILY?!
YUP! JUST ANOTHER THIEF LIKE US!!
AT ANY COST WE'LL BE HERE AND THAT'S A PROMISE!!

YEAH...IT'S A MAGIC STONE THAT CAN GRANT ANY WISH
THE DEMON STONE?
WOW
THAT SCAR...
THE DEMON STONE IS A DREAM THAT PEOPLE WOULD DIE FOR!
YOU REALLY BELIEVE IN SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
SHEESH KUROI SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE AN ADULT BUT YOU'RE REALLY JUST A KID!
GOOD TO HEAR
?
I GOT THIS FROM TRYING TO STEAL THE STONE
I'VE DECIDED ... NO, I SWEAR..!!
EVEN IF IT COSTS ME MY LIFE, THE DEMON STONE WILL BE MINE!!

...I DONT NEED THAT STONE. I DONT WANT ANYTHING.
EVEN IF IT COSTS YOUR LIFE ...?
BUT... BUT KUROI, WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT?!
IT'S A SECRET BUT IT'S SOMETHING BIG
AND YOU JOHN?
WHAT DO YOU WISH FOR?
ME?!
I ...
WHAT ...?
WHAT IS IT?
LOOK!
I HAVE A HAND, YOU HAVE A HAND ... EVERYONE IS THE SAME, RIGHT?
THIS IS REALITY.

MY WISH
I WANT
I WISH ...
IT'S OKAY IF YOU DON'T WANT ANY THING
BUT ANYONE CAN HAVE DREAMS THOUGH THEY MIGHT NOT COME TRUE IMMEDIATELY
THAT GOES FOR YOU TOO, JOHN.
HUMANS, DEMONS, KIDS, ADULTS, THE POOR, THE RICH, EVEN THIEVES
WE HAVE DIFFERENT HAIR AND EYES, BUT BASICALLY WE'RE ALL THE SAME
WE ALL WANT TO REACH FOR THE LIGHT
WHAT IS THAT BLACK ARM?!
HEY JOHN!!
I WANT ...
I WANT A HUMAN HAND... THEN I CAN BE LIKE EVERYONE ELSE!
I TRIED TO KEEP CALM ...
BUT I DON'T WANT TO BE ALONE ...!

YES... I KNOW.
IF YOU REALLY WISH FOR IT, YOU CAN MAKE YOUR DREAMS A REALITY... AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT I THINK.
PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL NEVER GIVE UP.
THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU CAN'T GET RID OF THAT ARM.
THEN DON'T GIVE UP
PROMISE ME, JOHN.
AND IF YOU STRUGGLE ALONG THE WAY, YOU JUST NEED TO REACH FOR THE LIGHT!!
I PROMISE!!


JOHN
...
YOU...
STILL MOVING
FORWARD
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ALWAYS KEEPING
YOUR PROMISE...

YOU THINK I'M FINISHED?
OH NO!!
THE FIGHT ISN'T OVER YET!
I'M TRAPPED IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS! WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
SILVER YOU
...HAVE SUFFERED ENOUGH!! I'M MOVED TO TEARS!
EH?!

JIN YOU BASTARD! DEMON!! HOW CAN YOU STILL BE SO COLD AFTER THAT STORY?!
IT'S CALLED MATURITY YOU SHOULD TRY IT SOME TIME
...
SORRY BOSS
HEY...!
WHATEVER, LET HIM DO WHATEVER THE HELL HE WANTS WITH THE STONE.
YOU CAN DO IT!! I'LL BE YOUR PARTNER!
YOU'RE BOSS IS AN EMOTIONAL GUY HUH?
DO YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT THAT?
YOU SAID THAT YOUR ARM CHANGED SIXTEEN YEARS AGO DURING THE SECOND WORLD ZERO?
ANYWAY... SILVER, THERE'S SOMETHING I SHOULD ASK
SO...
THE WORLD ZERO HAPPENED BECAUSE SOMEONE BROUGHT TOGETHER THREE PIECES OF THE DEMON STONE AND WISHED FOR IT TO HAPPEN.
I WAS STILL AN INFANT BACK THEN...
IF YOU KNOW SOMETHING... TELL ME

THERE IS SOMEONE THAT WANTS TO DESTROY THE WORLD ANOTHER TIME...!!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT BUT...

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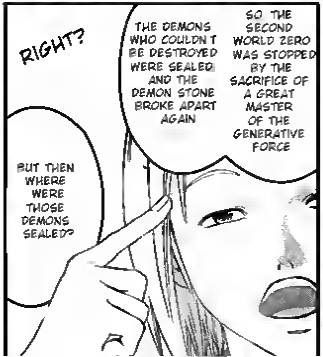
RIGHT?
THE DEMONS WHO COULDN'T BE DESTROYED WERE SEALED AND THE DEMON STONE BROKE APART AGAIN
SO THE SECOND WORLD ZERO WAS STOPPED BY THE SACRIFICE OF A GREAT MASTER OF THE GENERATIVE FORCE
BUT THEN WHERE WERE THOSE DEMONS SEALED?

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AHHHH HH!!
JOHN—YOUR HAND IS RETURNING COMPLETELY BLACK!!
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J JOHN?!
WAAA AAA!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

IDIOT! I TOLD YOU NOT TO ABUSE THAT POWER!
GAH...
NOT EVEN THE SEAL CAN STOP THE ZERO FORCE FROM DEVOURING YOU!
UGH...
BUT I'VE ONLY OBTAINED THE FIRST PIECE STILL...
NO!!
DAMN...
I MADE A PROMISE
AND THIS
IS NOT GOING TO STOP SOMEONE LIKE ME!!

KAZAMI?!
UGH!!

DON'T THANK ME, I DIDN'T DO IT FOR YOU.
NO ...
I DON'T REMEMBER ASKING FOR YOUR HELP.
I NEEDED TO PROTECT THE GUYS. IF YOU WANNA DIE DO IT ALONE
THE... DEMON STONE...
I WON'T GIVE IT ....
JOHN ....
JOHN!!!
JOHN!
JOHN!!
GET UP!!

YOU ARE THE SON OF THE ONE WHO SEALED THE DEMON KING.
...I SEE, JOHN ...
YOU HAVE SOMETHING NO HUMAN SHOULD POSSESS ...

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HUH...?
HE HAS AWAKENED BUT WHERE ON EARTH IS HE?!
WHAT?!
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WHERE AM I?
THE... THE DEMON STONE!
COULD HAVE SWORN WE WERE IN THE FOREST...
BUT WE...

THIS IS A DRAGON?
AND WE'RE FLYING WITH HIM?!
W...WOW!! THIS IS SO COOL!
WE, RE FLYING?!
HOW HAVE THEY ENDED UP ON THE BACK OF A DRAGON?! WHAT IS THIS PLACE?!
8TH NIGHT
RIDING THE WIND
THE SILVERY CROW
KAMIJO AKIMINE
HEY!! YOU'VE FINALLY WOKEN UP! HUH?
YOU'VE BEEN ASLEEP FOR THREE DAYS!
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO WAKE UP NOW?!
THIS VIEW ISN'T BAD

KAZAMI!
THIS IS OUR HIDEOUT.
WHAT.. WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
H...HUH?
YOUR WHAT?!
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AH, NEVERMIND THEN
THIS IS COOL!
I'M GONNA GO ENJOY THE VIEW
MAYBE I'M DREAMING
YOU'RE AWAKE DUMB-ASS!

YOU GUYS ARE OUR PRISONERS NOW.
IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE, GIVE US THE STONE.
YOU'RE NOT GOING ANY-WHERE.
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BUT NO MATTER HOW HARD WE TRIED, WE COULDN'T TAKE IT AWAY FROM YOUR HAND.
LET GO!
IT'S MINE!
MINE!
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WE WERE THINKING OF STEALING THE STONE WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING

HEY!! NO WAY!!
YEAH, WHATEVER YOU BETTER JUST BEHAVE YOURSELVES. YOUR LIVES ARE IN OUR HANDS AFTER ALL.
CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, BUT YOU WERE ALSO TRYING TO TAKE THE STONE FROM MR. JOHN.
RIGHT?
YOU'RE TERRIBLE! YOU DIDN'T REALLY CARE ABOUT JOHN AT ALL! YOU JUST WANTED THE STONE.

KAZAMI! I THOUGHT YOU WERE COOL!
I MEAN, YOU'VE GOT A DRAGON AND EVERYTHING! HOW CAN YOU BE LIKE THIS?!
AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE A NICE GUY?
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I HAVE NOTHING BUT RESPECT FOR YOU, KAIZAMIL!!
TWITCH
WOULD AN ORDINARY THIEF BE ABLE TO CREATE SUCH A GREAT HIDEOUT ON THE BACK OF A DRAGON?!
I WANNA BE LIKE YOU ONE DAY!
TWITCH
OKAY! TAKE A LOOK!!
THIS IS THE FLYING FORTRESS OF THE RED WIND, THE "FUJIN" !!

I THOUGHT THAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO KEEP THEM LOCKED UP UNTIL WE GOT THE DEMON STONE
I GUESS THE BOSS CHANGED HIS MIND
IT'S LIKE A BATTLE-SHIP!!
THAT'S RIGHT!
HOW DOES IT WORK?
IT USES THE WIND!
ENJOY THE VIEW!!
WOW!! THIS IS GREAT!
SO PRETTY!
LOOK, LOOK! I SEE A TOWN OVER THERE!

RIGHT NOW, THE WORLD IS AT PEACE
THIS IS THANKS TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO WORK TOGETHER
IT'S JUST BRIMMING WITH VITALITY. REALLY, A TRULY MARVELLOUS WORLD.
ALTHOUGH THE PEACE IS NOTHING BUT A PRODUCT OF YOUR IMAGINATION
RIGHT?!
HUH?
...

I BELIEVE HE'S SECRETLY WORKING TO COLLECT THE FRAGMENTS OF THE DEMON STONE TO REVIVE THE DEMON KING.
YOU THINK THE PERSON WHO CREATED THE WORLD ZERO IS PLANNING SOMETHING AGAIN?
WHO?! WHAT?! HOW?!!
AND ACCORDING TO MY INFORMATION, HE ALREADY POSSESSES SEVERAL FRAGMENTS OF THE STONE.
IS IT POSSIBLE THAT IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN AGAIN?
N... NO
THERE'S NOT MUCH WE CAN DO TO OPPOSE THE POWER OF THE DEMON KING AND HIS MINIONS
IF THE STONE IS PIECED TOGETHER AND THE DEMON KING REVIVED, THERE'S NOTHING WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO
IT COULD BE EVEN WORSE NEXT TIME!!
FOR THAT REASON, WE INTEND TO AVOID THAT TYPE OF ENDING AT ALL COSTS

BUT YOU'RE JUST A THIEF! HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL OF THIS?
ARE YOU TRYING TO GET RICH OFF THE FRAGMENTS? THE RICH WILL BUY THEM BEFORE ANYTHING BAD HAPPENS!
IF THAT WERE SO
THEY WOULD JUST FALL INTO THE HANDS OF THE PEOPLE WHO KILLED MY KIND
O...OK! THEN CAN'T WE JUST FIND WHERE THE DEMON KING IS SEALED AND DESTROY HIM BEFORE HE WAKES UP?
HE'S RIGHT HERE
THE SOUL OF THE DEMON KING IS SEALED INSIDE OF ME.

W...
WHAA AAAT?!
HOW... HOW DO YOU KNOW?
KUROI TOLD ME.
SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE SECOND WORLD ZERO, I WAS MEANT TO BE A VESSEL THAT WOULD CONTAIN THE SOUL OF THE DEMON KING.
...
A SACRIFICE SO THAT THE REST OF THE WORLD COULD BE SAVED.
JOHN ...
AND STILL HE WORRIES ABOUT OTHE PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS.
...
SO HE KNOWS THAT IS SURPRISING.
...AND YET HE STILL WISHES TO TURN HUMAN?
GOOD. SINCE YOU KNOW SO MUCH I'LL BE COMPLETELY HONEST WITH YOU.
IF THE SEAL BREAKS, YOU DIE. PLEASE, JUST GIVE US THE STONE.

WHAT?!!

WE'VE GOTTA STOP THOSE GUYS FROM GETTING THE DEMON STONE SO SHOULDN'T THIS HELP?
WHAT?!!
ARE YOU STUPID?!!
THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING?!
I'M HELPING YOU, AND THIS IS HOW YOU REPAY ME?!

I'LL GET THE DEMON STONE BEFORE ANYONE ELSE DOES AND RETURN THIS ARM OF MINE BACK TO NORMAL!!
THE DEMON KING WILL FINALLY BE DESTROYED THAT WAY, RIGHT?
I'LL BE ABLE TO KILL HIM BEFORE HE'S ABLE TO WAKE UP AND EAT HIS WAY OUT OF ME!
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME. I CAN DO ANYTHING!
YEAH RIGHT, IDIOT!
I WANT THE DEMON STONE!
YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT BY YOURSELF?
YOU CAN'T EVEN CONTROL YOUR OWN POWER.
MAYBE NOT... BUT IT'S EITHER THAT OR DIE.
I KNEW FROM THE START THAT MY LIFE WAS ALWAYS ON THE LINE. I CAN'T BACK OUT NOW.
THE DEMON STONE IS MINE! AND NO ONE CAN STOP ME!!

I KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO WANTS THE DEMON STONE TO REVIVE THE DEMON KING
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HUH?
WHAT'S SO FUNNY?!
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HE SAID IT SO DECISIVELY WITHOUT LOSING HIS CONFIDENCE
THIS KID IS CRAZY... CRAZY AND STUPID. BUT I LIKE IT.
HE...
WAAH!
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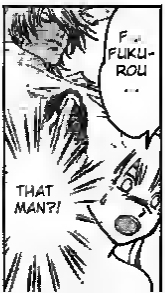
HE...
I CAN'T FORGIVE HIM

FUKUROU ...
THE MURDERER OF MY FAMILY
HE KILLED KUROI AND TOOK HIS PIECE OF THE DEMON STONE
FOR THAT REASON, I WANT TO FIND THE DEMON STONE AS WELL AS KILL THAT MAN!

NOT SURE IF I KNOW THIS FUKUROU
BUT WHAT TYPE OF PERSON IS HE?

KILLED JOHN'S FAMILY?!
KILLED KUROI ...


F... FUKU-ROU ...
THAT MAN?!

SO WHAT?! I'VE MADE UP MY MIND!
JOHN NEVER SAID ANYTHING ABOUT FUKUROU I DIDN'T KNOW
JOHN
WHEN HE SAYS THAT AND REACHES FOR THE SKIES, I KNOW HE COMPLETELY BELIEVES IN HIMSELF
STEAL OR DIE
I SUPPOSE THAT IT'S DECIDED
IF HE'S MADE UP HIS MIND
COULD BE THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO KNOW ANYTHING ARE THOSE HELPING HIM LOOK FOR THE DEMON STONE
WHOEVER OPPOSES HIM IS KILLED
IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S NOT ONLY THE DEMON STONE THAT HE WANTS.
WHO KNOWS WHAT HIS MOTIVES ARE. WHY IS HE DOING IT?

NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT WE HAVE THE SAME OBJECTIVES ANYWAYS.
WE'LL LET YOU HAVE THE DEMON STONE AND HELP YOU OUT
UM, THANKS BUT NO THANKS
HEY YOU CAN'T JUST DECIDE THAT!
SORRY.
WHAT THE HELL?!
I ALREADY SAID NO!
FINE MAYBE WE'LL JUST FOLLOW YOU AND WAIT FOR THE DEMON STONE TO COME OUT OF YOUR STOMACH
IT LOOKS LIKE BOSS CHANGED HIS MIND AGAIN
IS THAT BAD?
IT'S BETTER FOR US IF THE DEMON STONE IS AS FAR AWAY FROM FUKUROU AS POSSIBLE
IT'LL BE EASY FOR HIM TO KILL US AND TAKE THE STONE OTHERWISE
AH
BOSS!! I CAN SEE OUR DESTI-NATION!
GREAT!! JOHN LOOK!

THAT'S WHERE THE NEXT FRAGMENT IS!
THE FLOATING CITY, CENTRAL SIEG!

OH, IT'S KAZAMI'S SHIP.
I'M SURE THAT HE'LL BE BRINGING ALONG A PIECE OF THE DEMON STONE.

~THE SILVERY CROW~
ENTRANCE
WELCOME AND ENJOY YOUR STAY AT THE CLEANEST, BRIGHTEST FLOATING CITY IN THE WORLD - CENTRAL SIEG!!
WEAPONS OF ALL KINDS ARE PROHIBITED HERE IN THE CAPTIAL.
IF YOU ARE CARRYING WEAPONS, PLEASE PROCEED TO CUSTOMS AND LEAVE THEM WITH THE INSPECTION BUREAU.
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PASS
NAME JOHN
AGE 18
SEX M
KAZAKAMI TRADING COMPANY
KAZAKAMI TRADING COMPANY...
UM... EMPLOYEES OF THE KAZAKAMI TRADING COMPANY, PLEASE WAIT HERE FOR INSPECTION.
PASS
NAME 凪人
AGE 23
SEX M
KAZAKAMI TRADING COMPANY

MS. LU
MR JOHN.
MR KAZAMI
MR JIN
MR. UKATSU
MR. RIKUTSU
YOUR IDENTIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN PROCESSED
MAKING A FLASHY ENTRANCE! IN A NEW CITY!!
THE 9TH NIGHT - THE FLOATING CITY
しろがねの鳥
THE SILVERY CROW
WHAT THE FUCK?
"MY SPECIALTY"...?
IT'S MY SPECIALTY
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME
スッキリ
WITHOUT RIKUTSU'S FORGED IDENTIFICATION PAPERS, WE PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE EVEN BEEN LET IN.
DAMN. WHY IS SECURITY SO TIGHT OUT HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE!?
ENTRANCE

YOU THINK YOU'RE BETTER THAN ME!?
YOU'RE A FAMOUS THIEF, SO THERE'S A HUGE BOUNTY ON YOUR HEAD!
COME ON BOSS, IT'S JUST A FAKE ID
W... WELL LIKATSU LOOKS MORE DIGNIFIED
HUH!?
WHY DIDN'T YOU MAKE ME PRESIDENT OF THE KAZAKAMI TRADING COMPANY!?
WHY LIKATSU!?
I'M DEEPLY SORRY THEY'RE STILL CHILDREN
I WAS EXPECTING SOMETHING MORE, UH DIGNIFIED FROM THE LEGENDARY THIEF KAZAMI TOO
...SORRY HE'S JUST A STUPID KID
MR. JOHN, ARE YOU NOT AWARE THAT YOU ARE CALLED THE LEGENDARY THIEF "SILVER WING"?
AWW MISS LU PLAYS WITH DOLLS, THAT IS SO CUTE
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HEY, MISS LU, THIS DOLL YOU BROUGHT IS REALLY WELL-MADE!!
SHE'S GOT SUCH LIFELIKE SKIN! HOW DID THEY DO IT!?
UM IT WAS A GIFT FROM MY MOTHER!
UM IT'S REALLY HIGH-TECH, ISN'T IT? IT EVEN TALKS!!
WOW, COOL!! HOW DOES IT WORK!?
PUT ME DOWN OR I'LL KILL YOU!!

...AGAPE!! WHAT WERE YOU DOING!?
THEY'RE COMMON THEIVES AN ARISTOCRAT LIKE MYSELF CAN'T BE PAWED BY THE IGNORANT MASSES!
OH, BUT I WOULDN'T MIND GETTING TO KNOW THAT MR. JIN A LITTLE BETTER!
KYAAA HE'S SO CUUU UUTE!
...I GUESS YOU DON'T WANT TO HANG OUT WITH ME ANYMORE...
ALRIGHT LET'S GO SIGHTSEEING!!
BUT WE'RE HERE TO FIND THE DEMON STONE!!
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WOOOOOOW
WHAT A CLEAN CITY!!

HEY, KAZAMI... IF THE FUUJIN IS POWERED BY WIND, THEN HOW DOES THIS CITY STAY IN THE AIR?
I HATE CITIES LIKE THIS! I CAN'T FEEL A GOOD BREEZE HERE!!
I DON'T SEE A SPECK OF DIRT ANYWHERE!!
AND THE PEOPLE ARE PRETTY TOO!
EVERYBODY IS SO GOOD-LOOKING!!
BUNT
THE DEMON STONE IS HERE!! AND NOBODY HAS ANY WEAPONS, SO IT WILL BE EASY TO STEAL...
YOU'LL SEE.
...I THINK YOU'LL FIND THAT THE CITY IS MORE THAN ADEQUATELY DEFENDED.
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THE LITTLE MOUSE?
EVER SINCE THE LITTLE MOUSE SHOWED UP, THE CITY'S BEEN CLEAN AND FREE OF CRIME OR ANYTHING ELSE THAT COULD TARNISH ITS IMAGE.
YEAH...
IT IS CLEAN THOUGH... KINDA CREEPY...
I DON'T WANNA DIE!!
IF... IF THEY CATCH US... THEY'LL HANG US!!
I'M SURE BEING CALLED A HERO MAKES HIM FEEL ALL WARM AND FUZZY INSIDE, BUT HE'S JUST A MURDERER WHO KILLS FOR FUN.
...HE'S A FUSSY, OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE, SNEAKY BASTARD...
N... NO WAY, HE WAS RIGHT HERE... WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENED...!?
HUH!?
JOHN'S GONE!?
THERE'S ANOTHER SIDE TO THIS CITY... LIKE A CANCER GROWING RIGHT UNDER THE SKIN... WELL, I'D RATHER WE NOT RUN INTO THAT GUY.
HUH!?
A... ANOTHER SIDE...!?
DO YOU KNOW THIS PERSON, KAZAMI?

TOTO CURRY
WOW, MISTER, YOU'RE A BIG EATER!
YOU BET!!!
NO!!
I HATE CURRY!! I HATE LOOKING AT IT, I HATE HEARING ABOUT IT, I HATE IT!!
ONE MORE BOWL
ONE MORE BOWL!
YOU'LL GET THE DEMON STONE ALL COVERED IN CURRY!!
REMINDS YOU OF THE FAMILY YOU CAN'T GO HOME TO
I GUESS THE TASTE OF CURRY
KUROI WAS MURDERED

I... I STILL DON'T LIKE IT!! I'M JUST EATING WITH YOU TO BE NICE...
I USED TO COOK FOR MY PARENTS ALL THE TIME WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
WELL... I STILL DON'T LIKE IT, BUT SINCE NEITHER OF US HAVE FAMILIES ANYMORE, LET'S EAT CURRY TOGETHER.
REALLY?
ACTUALLY, CAN I HAVE SOME MORE...INGS!?
...I'LL TAKE A BOWL!!
SWEET!!
YOU LIKE TO COOK AND I LIKE TO EAT!!
HEY, YOU COULD MAKE CURRY FOR ME!!
...HUH!?

KITCHEN SLAVERY
IS THIS A PROPOSAL!?
LET'S COOK TOGETHER!!
NOBODY MAKES BETTER CURRY THAN YOU!!
OH GOD NO...
OH JOHN, THIS IS ALL SO SUDDEN... I MEAN, OF COURSE I'M IRRESISTABLY ADORABLE
AND IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T LIKE YOU, BUT... WE'VE ONLY JUST MET
THAT'S OKAY, DON'T WORRY!
I LOVE CURRY, SO EVEN IF IT SUCKS, I'LL STILL EAT IT!!
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AHHH!!
WAKE UP, SIR!!
HURRY UP! KAZAMI AND THE OTHERS ARE WAITING!
STOMP STOMP

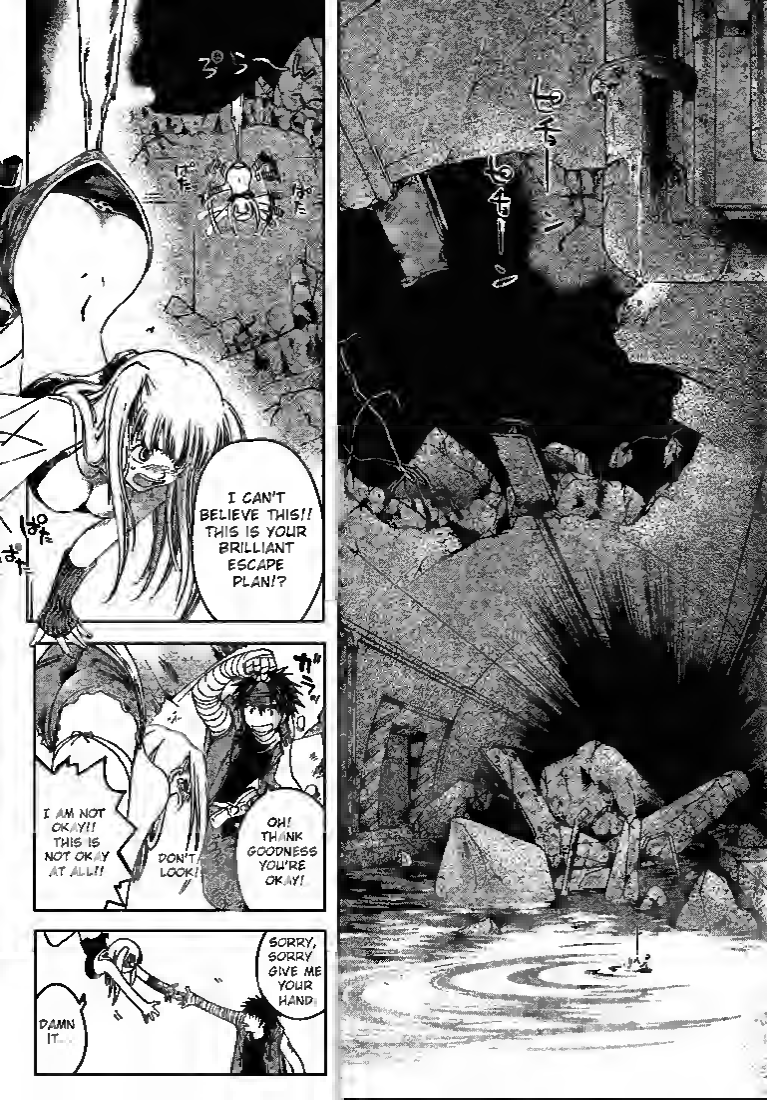
YOU FILTHY THIEF!!
YOU LOW-CLASS SCUM!!
I...
W— WAIT, WHAT ARE YOU DOING!? HE'S BLEEDING!! PLEASE, STOP!!
WHAT, ARE YOU HIS SCUMMY LITTLE FRIENDS!?
WHAT ?!
PLEASE DON'T

Y... YOU'RE...
I'LL RETURN EVERYTHING I STOLE...
P... PLEASE, FORGIVE ME...
DON'T YOU THINK YOU'VE DONE ENOUGH!?
AND WHY DON'T ANY OF YOU SAY ANYTHING!?
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS TO PEOPLE WHO STEAL...
THIS CITY TOLERATES ABSOLUTELY ZERO CRIME...
AND HE'S JUST A SECOND-CLASS CITIZEN... HE'LL BE SENTENCED TO THE WORST POSSIBLE PUNISHMENT
WHAT!?
YOU STILL WANT TO PROTECT HIM?
WELL THEN...
YOU'LL BE PUNISHED TOO!!
HUH!?
Y-YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME...

DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S ENOUGH, OLD MAN? YOU SHOULDN'T PICK ON THE WEAK
WHAT
JOHN!!
AND YOU'VE JUST ASSUALTED AN OFFICER
YOU'RE ALL IN ON THIS TOGETHER!! YOU'RE JUST A BUNCH OF CRIMINALS
KILL THEM!!

ARE THEY TRYING TO FIGHT BACK...!?
SHOOT THEM!!
HERE WE GO!!
I KNOW THERE'S A LAW AGAINST WEAPONS AND ALL...BUT YOU'RE NOT LEAVING ME MUCH OF A CHOICE...
WH— WHAT ARE YOU D. .

WH... WHAT!?
WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH, THE TOUGH GET GOING!!
W WAAA AAH!!
HELP I'M FALLING !!
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING !?
AH I FORGOT


I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!! THIS IS YOUR BRILLIANT ESCAPE PLAN!?
OH! THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE OKAY!
I AM NOT OKAY!! THIS IS NOT OKAY AT ALL!!
DON'T LOOK!
SORRY, SORRY GIVE ME YOUR HAND
DAMN IT...

WHAT!? JUST NOW
!?
COME ON, REACH!
I JUST WANT TO BE HUMAN... I DON'T WANT TO BE ALONE
I WANT TO HAVE A HUMAN ARM AGAIN !!
EVERYONE !!
HUH!?
AIEE!!
WHICH HAND DO YOU USE TO HOLD A SPOON!?
?!
WHAT'S WRONG? JUST GIVE ME YOUR H—
WH WHAT!? YOU SHOULD HAVE WARNED ME

LU...
A... ARE YOU AN IDIOT!?
I... I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE SO WORRIED ABOUT...
ALL I KNOW... IS THAT YOU USED THAT HAND TO SAVE ME...!!
...THANKS!!

WH... WHAT!? I SAID THANK YOU, DIDN'T I!?
LU...

...THANKS...?

DON'T GET NEAR HIM!
EWW! IT'S THAT FREAK JOHN!

WOW... LU...
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME ANYONE'S EVER THANKED ME...
...ARE YOU REALLY SO HAPPY?
IT'S SPECIAL!!
SURE IT IS!!
WH... WHAT? THAT'S NOT WORTH GETTING ALL WORKED UP OVER...
...HUH!?
...YOU'RE THAT THIEF FROM BEFORE!!
PERHAPS... I SHOULD SAY "THANK YOU" AS WELL?

THE SILVERY CROW'S ZERO POWER ISN'T REALLY THAT IMPRESSIVE IS IT?
I KNEW YOU WERE COMING WHEN I SAW KAZAMI'S FUUJIN
HUH!?
THAT WAS JUST A LITTLE SHOW FOR THE GUARDS AND I WANTED TO SEE YOUR TRUE POWER THANK YOU
BUT BUT YOU WERE HURT! HOW DID YOU...
WHO ARE YOU!?
WH WHO ARE
!?
I SUPPOSE YOU CAN CALL ME ...
THE LITTLE MOUSE?
THE MASTER OF THE CITY'S UNDERWORLD, LITTLE MOUSE, REVEALS HIMSELF...!! BUT IS HE FRIEND OR FOE!?
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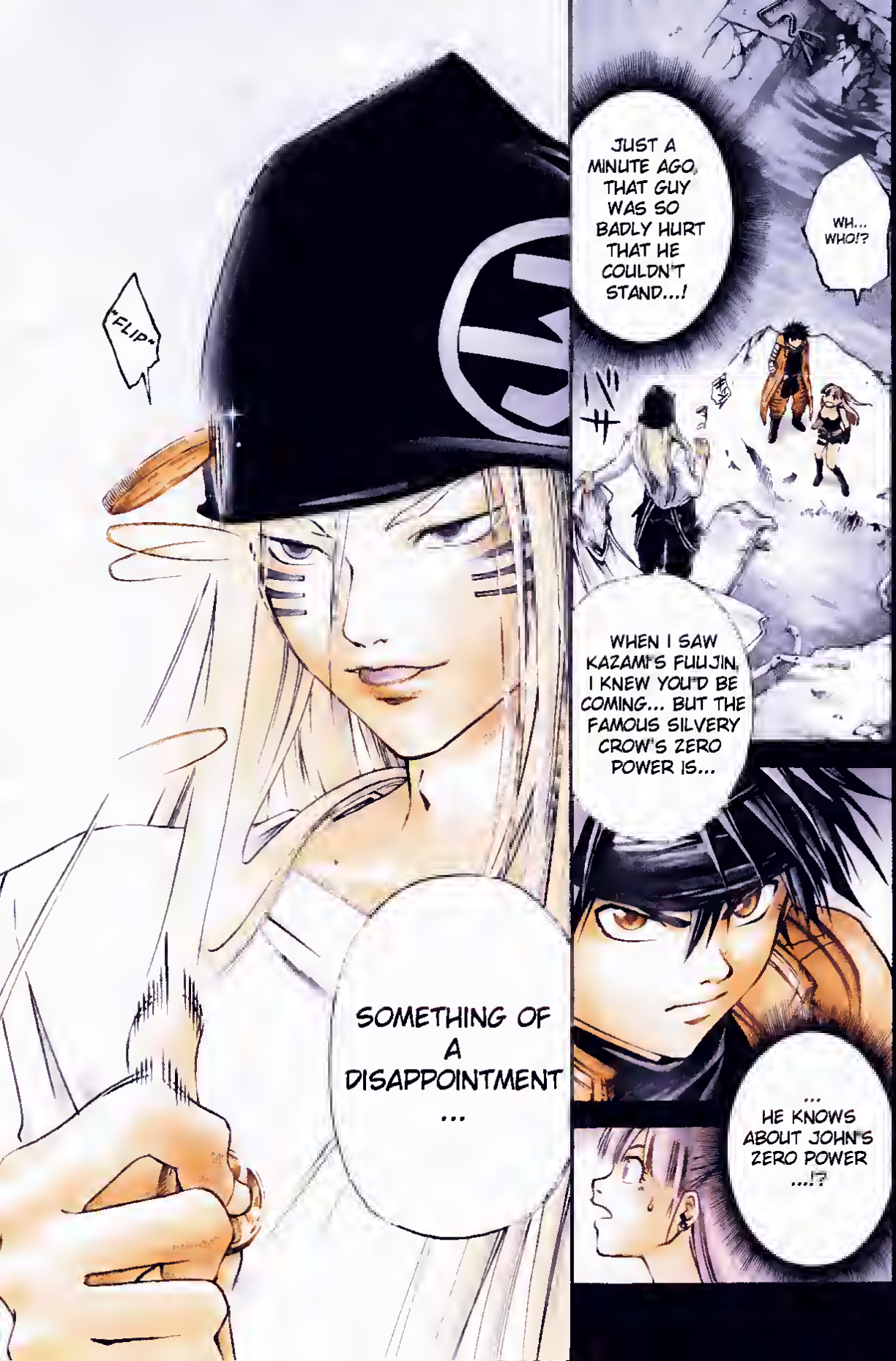
"FLIP"
SOMETHING OF A DISAPPOINTMENT...
JUST A MINUTE AGO, THAT GUY WAS SO BADLY HURT THAT HE COULDN'T STAND...!
WH... WHO!?
WHEN I SAW KAZAMI'S FUUJIN, I KNEW YOU'D BE COMING... BUT THE FAMOUS SILVERY CROW'S ZERO POWER IS...
...HE KNOWS ABOUT JOHN'S ZERO POWER ...!?

ONWARD, TO YOUR DREAMS!!
THE DECISION HAS BEEN LOCKED IN THEIR HEARTS!
NO TURNING BACK -
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しろがねの鴉
THE SILVERY CROW
10TH NIGHT: LITTLE MOUSE
上条明峰
Akimine Kamijyo

FLIP
IS THIS THE LITTLE MOUSE GUY THAT KAZAMI WAS TALKING ABOUT!? IS HE... REALLY A GUY? HE'S WAY TOO PRETTY...
HE ALMOST LOOKS LIKE AN ANGEL... IT'S WEIRD ISN'T IT...?
WHAT!?
...COME AND GET ME
HUH!? WHAT IS THIS ALL OF A SUDDEN...?
BUT FIRST...
I DON'T KNOW YOU PEOPLE... BUT I'LL GIVE YOU THREE TRIES
~THE SILVERY CROW~

YOU CAME HERE TO STEAL THE DEMON STONE, RIGHT
...DO YOU... KNOW WHERE THE DEMON STONE IS!?
AH, LOOKS LIKE I WAS RIGHT
WHAT...!?
HOW DID YOU KNOW!?
OOH!? REALLY!?
IF HE KNOWS, WE'LL JUST ...
...IF YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW, I'LL TELL YOU.
THE DEMON STONE IS HERE IN THE CITY ...
YES...!!
YEAH, YEAH ...!?
THE DEMON STONE IS...

WHAT ...
WHAT DID YOU DO!?
KYAAA!!
STUUUPID. DID YOU THINK I'D JUST TELL YOU? YOU AIN'T GETTING THE DEMON STONE, LOSERS.
DID YOU THINK IT WOULD BE THAT EASY?
A MARKER PEN...!?
WHAT...!?

!!
JUST LOOK AT YOURSELVES!! DON'T YOU THINK IT'S AN IMPROVEMENT?
YOU GULLIBLE IDIOTS... BUT HE IS THE SILVERY CROW, AFTER ALL, SO MAYBE I CAN HAVE SOME FUN.
OR MAYBE YOU'RE JUST BORING...
...LIKE EVERYONE ELSE
WHO'S THE SILVERY CROW!?
UH...
WH.. WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS GUY!?
HE'S CUTE, BUT HE'S GOT AN AWFUL PERSONALITY...!!
DON'T START WIBBLING NOW...
YOU SAY THAT, BUT HOW DO WE KNOW YOU'RE NOT JUST FOOLING AROUND...?
SOUNDS LIKE FUN!
WELL, I'M GETTING BORED, SO WHY DON'T WE PLAY TAG?
IF YOU CATCH ME, I'LL TELL YOU WHERE THE DEMON STONE IS... HOW ABOUT THAT?
TAP

I LIKE THAT IDEA!
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WHERE DID HE GO!?
!?
SQUEAK!
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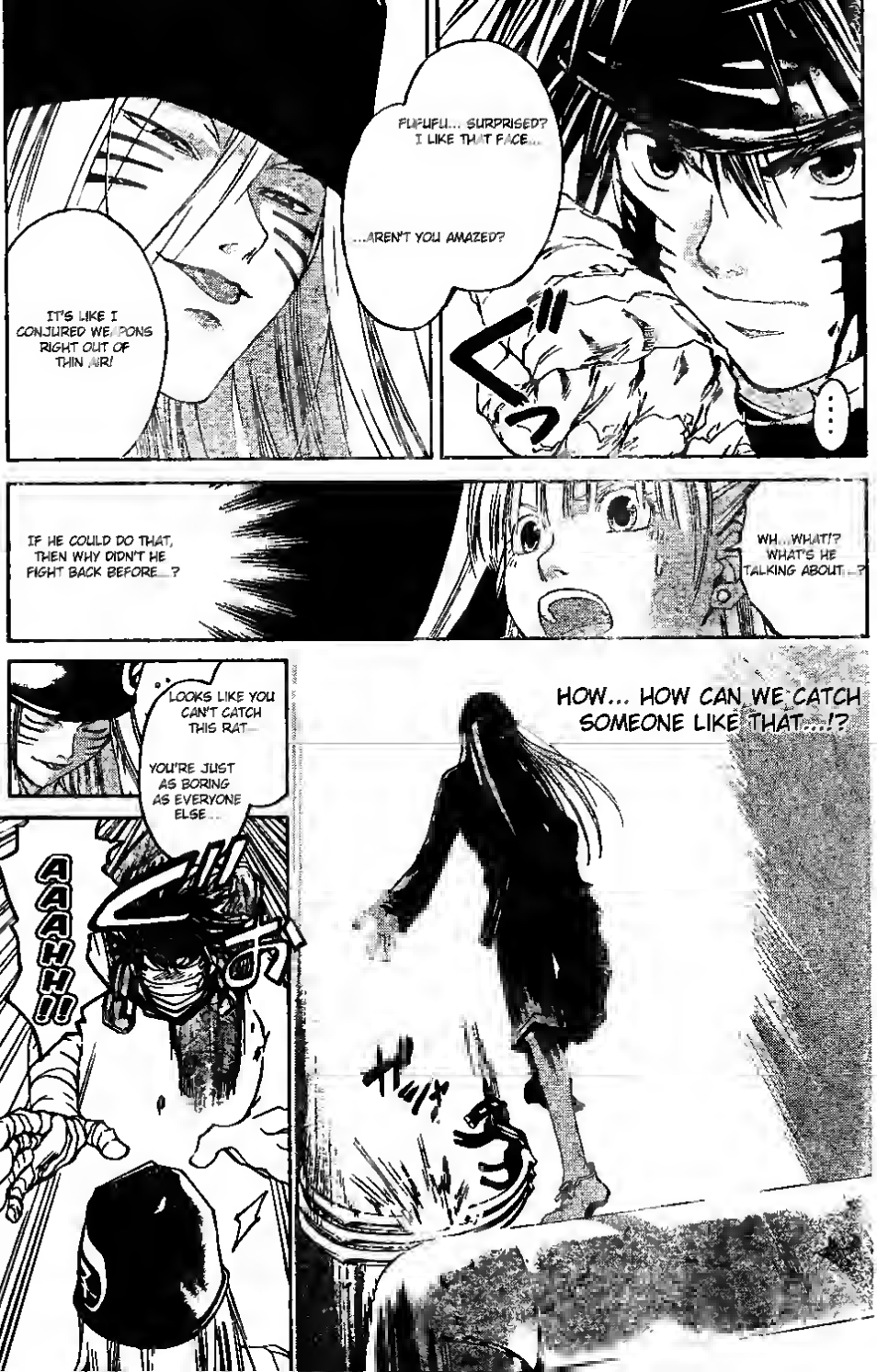
I REALLY AM LIKE A RAT, AREN'T I?
...BASTARD...
IF YOU CAN'T EVEN CATCH ME, YOU'LL NEVER MAKE IT OUT OF HERE
HOW SAD
DOWN HERE IS A MOUSIE'S NATURAL HABITAT!
Y... YOU JERK!! I'LL BEAT THE CRAP OUT OF YOU!!
WEAPONS MIGHT BE PROHIBITED, BUT I'M A THIEF. I CAN IMPROVISE...
OR CAN YOU NOT DO IT?
COME ON, CATCH ME

I KINDA LIKE THAT IN A GIRL
OH, BUT...
WHEN YOU SAVED ME UP THERE, YOU HUGGED ME, REMEMBER?
I WAS SOOOO EXCITED... MAYBE I FELL IN LOVE...
WH... WHAT!? HEY, WAIT A MINUTE...
PLEASE FORGIVE ME. I WAS SO EMBARRASSED...
WHAT...!?
HUH!?
I DON'T LIKE WOMEN WITH BIG BUTTS
!!
IS THAT ALL IT TAKES TO SET YOU OFF?
IF YOU COULD DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN, WOULD YOU STILL SAVE ME?
WH... WHAT IS THIS GUY!?
HE'S PRETTY ON THE OUTSIDE, BUT INSIDE, HE'S A TOTAL ASSHOLE!!

SMASH
CATCH ME IF YOU CAN... OR I'LL START TO GET BORED
...RIGHT?
HE'S SO EVIL!!
HE'S A DEVIL WITH THE FACE OF AN ANGEL!!
DAMN IT, THIS IS IT FOR YOU!!

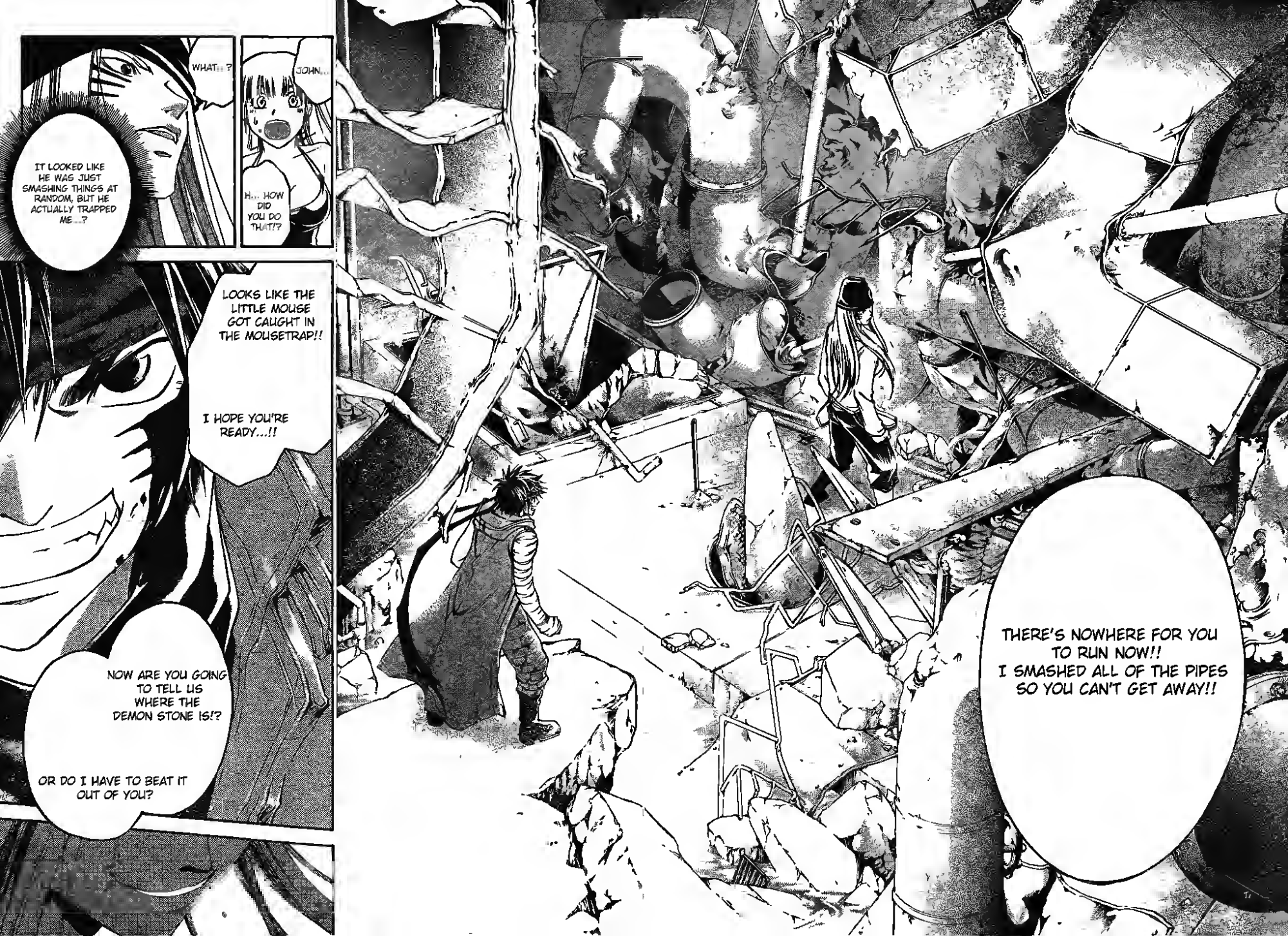
YEAH, BUT I COULD KILL A RAT WITH ONE PUNCH...
OH, ARE YOU GOING TO KILL ME?
DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW WHERE THE DEMON STONE IS?
SO I WON'T LET YOU GET AWAY...!!
ARE YOU THAT STUPID? YOU'RE JUST RECKLESSLY DESTROYING EVERYTHING... THERE'S NO ART IN THAT!
YOU'RE NOT EVEN USING YOUR ZERO POWER!!
..I'LL SHOW YOU POWER..

THIS IS HOW IT'S DONE
J... JOHN!!
AHHHHHHHH!
AH!
I GUESS HE'S NOT JUST CARRYING MARKER PENS. BUT HOW DID HE HIDE SUCH HUGE WEAPONS!?
WH... WHAT!? HOW DID HE DO THAT!?


FUFUFU... SURPRISED? I LIKE THAT FACE...
...AREN'T YOU AMAZED?
IT'S LIKE I CONJURED WEAPONS RIGHT OUT OF THIN AIR!
WH...WHAT!? WHAT'S HE TALKING ABOUT...?
IF HE COULD DO THAT, THEN WHY DIDN'T HE FIGHT BACK BEFORE...?
HOW... HOW CAN WE CATCH SOMEONE LIKE THAT...!?
LOOKS LIKE YOU CAN'T CATCH THIS RAT...
YOU'RE JUST AS BORING AS EVERYONE ELSE...
AAAHH!!

SMASH
AHAHAHA!! YOU REALLY ARE STUPID!!
IF YOU CAN'T DO IT, THEN YOU JUST CAN'T DO IT!!
J... JOHN!! NO, THAT'S NOT GOING TO WORK!!
THIS IS YOUR THIRD AND FINAL CHANCE!!
IF YOU CAN'T CATCH ME, THEN YOU'LL BOTH DIE HERE...

NO...
ARE YOU SERIOUS!?
BUT WHEN...?
HUH.. !?
THIRD TIME'S A CHARM.


WHAT...?
JOHN...
IT LOOKED LIKE HE WAS JUST SMASHING THINGS AT RANDOM, BUT HE ACTUALLY TRAPPED ME...?
H... HOW DID YOU DO THAT!?
LOOKS LIKE THE LITTLE MOUSE GOT CAUGHT IN THE MOUSETRAP!!
I HOPE YOU'RE READY...!!
NOW ARE YOU GOING TO TELL US WHERE THE DEMON STONE IS!?
OR DO I HAVE TO BEAT IT OUT OF YOU?
THERE'S NOWHERE FOR YOU TO RUN NOW!! I SMASHED ALL OF THE PIPES SO YOU CAN'T GET AWAY!!

...THIS IS FUN... YOU'RE AN INTERESTING GUY, SILVER...
THAT'S... IMPOSSIBLE...!! WHERE DID HE GET SUCH BIG WEAPONS FROM..!?
JOHN!!

EH...
WHAT'S HE DOING...? HE'S NOT A DEMON... HE'S JUST A BULLY...!!
HE'S A MURDERER WHO KILLS FOR FUN
HE THINKS HE'S AN HONORABLE THIEF... BUT HE'S REALLY JUST LIKE WHAT KAZAMI SAID...!!
OOOH, I AM SOOO EXCITED! YOU'RE EVEN BETTER...
THAN FUKUROU SAID YOU'D BE..!!
YOU KNOW FUKUROU...!!
I DON'T WANT OUR GAME TO END... IT'S ALMOST A SHAME TO KILL YOU...

...YOU KNOW HIM...!?
YOU KNOW FUKUROU...!!
...I DON'T WANT TO
FUFUFU... AND IF I DO?
YOU DESTROYED MY WEAPONS, SO YOU COULD KILL ME EASILY. WH T ARE YOU WAITING FOR, HUH?
HE'S A FRIEND OF FUKU-ROU!?
AHAHAHA, ACTUALLY, THIS CITY'S DEMON STONE ...
DON'T GET SUCKED IN ANY FURTHER
FUKUROU'S CONTROLLING YOU, ISN'T HE?

ALREADY BELONGS TO FUKUROU...
...WHAT!?
SHOCK
H... HUH!?
W...WAIT!! WHAT WERE YOU SAYING ABOUT THE DEMON STONE!?

...WHO...
ARE YOU...!?
SUDDEN CHANGE!!
IS THIS A FAKE!?
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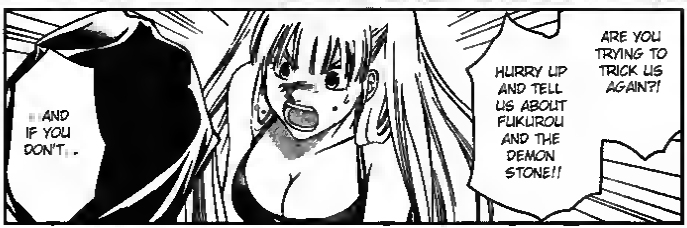
ARE YOU TRYING TO TRICK US AGAIN?!
HURRY UP AND TELL US ABOUT FUKUROU AND THE DEMON STONE!!
AND IF YOU DON'T...

FUKUROU...?
DEMON STONE?
WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?
WHISKERS!! YOU'VE GOT MOUSIE WHISKERS!!
?!
WHAT, THESE CUTS?
SUCK GASP
DON'T PLAY DUMB!! THAT WON'T WORK THIS TIME
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "MEET HIM!?" YOU REALLY ARE AN ASSHOLE!! WHO DO YOU THINK GAVE HIM THOSE CUTS
HEY, WAIT A SEC, LU
WAS HE HERE!? WAS THE LITTLE MOUSE HERE!?
I WANT TO MEET HIM!! I WANT TO MEET HIM!!

A MINUTE AGO YOU WERE MAKING THIS FACE AND SAYING, "IT WOULD ALMOST BE A SHAME TO KILL YOU", SO HOW'S IT FEEL NOW?
I... I GUESS SO...
I WAS A LITTLE FREAKED OUT TOO
HE'S REALLY SCARED, ISN'T HE?
IS IT ACTUALLY POSSIBLE... THAT HE AND THE "LITTLE MOUSE" FROM BEFORE... ARE DIFFERENT PEOPLE?

RECAP:

A LEGEND HAS IT THAT THE DEMON STONE CAN GRANT ANY WISH WHEN THE THIRTEEN FRAGMENTS OF THE STONE ARE AGAIN BROUGHT TOGETHER. IT HAS THE POWER TO FULFILL ANY DESIRE AND EVEN CHANGE THE WORLD. JOHN BLEGADINE, ALSO KNOWN AS THE INFAMOUS SILVER WING, AND LU LARUE, A YOUNG FEMALE THIEF, HEAD TO THE FLOATING CITY OF CENTRAL SIEG TO SEARCH FOR THE DEMON STONE. THEY BATTLE LITTLE MOUSE, A THIEF WHO KNOWS FUKUROU. BUT HE SUDDENLY CHANGES INTO A DIFFERENT PERSON.

WHAT THE...!?
NO WAY... IS THIS A REAL LIVE CASE OF MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES!?
MICHELOB... MICHELOB ALBATROSS!!
MICKEY! CALL ME MICKEY!!
IS HE REALLY A DIFFERENT PERSON...?
THIS... THIS IS INSANE...
HEY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
HIS NAME IS MICKEY!
I KNOW
I'M JOHN THIS IS LU
!!
WHISKERS!! AND A GOLD COIN FROM CENTRAL BANK!!
ISN'T THAT THE GOLD COIN THAT LITTLE MOUSE WAS PLAYING WITH...?
LITTLE MOUSE!! LITTLE
HE JUST FELL DOWN FOR NO REASON!?
ARE YOU OKAY?
LITTLE MOUSE!! YOUR COIN, YOUR COIN!!
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AH!

YOU'LL SAVE...
ALL OF US SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS...
THANK YOU, LITTLE MOUSE...
YOU'RE A HERO!!
TH... THAT'S A MARKER PEN!! HE'S GOING TO DO SOMETHING HORRIBLE TO US
!!
BUT... BUT IT'S YOUR COIN, ISN'T IT!? DON'T PLAY DUMB...
WHOA...
SO PURE
SO KIND
A TRUE HERO!
SO CHILDLIKE,
SO STRONG
SO FAST
SO INNOCENT
SO CHEERFUL

LITTLE MOUSE!!
WOW!!! YOU DRAW REALLY WELL!!
YEAH!
IS THIS LITTLE MOUSE?
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON?
HIS PERSONALITY HAS COMPLETELY CHANGED! BUT HE'S STILL GOT CRAZY PEN SKILLS
IT'S GOLD! IT'S GOLD!!!
AND THIS THING?
BUT THE LITTLE MOUSE WE'VE SEEN DOESN'T FIT WITH THE GENTLE IMAGE IN THE DRAWING HE LOOKS LIKE AN ANGEL—
IS IT REALLY A SPLIT PERSONALITY?
LITTLE MOUSE IS MY HERO!!

I WANT TO SAVE... MY DREAM.
ARE THESE SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
HE LOOKS SO SAD. WHAT ARE THESE SECOND CLASS CITIZENS
HUH!?
I CAN'T BE A HERO
I CAN'T DRAW MYSELF SMARTER OR STRONGER...
BUT SOMEDAY
WHY CAN'T YOU?
AS LONG AS YOU DON'T GIVE UP, YOUR DREAM WILL COME TRUE, RIGHT?

JOHN, THIS WAY!!
HUH!?
THIS WAY!! THE DEMON STONE!!
THE DEMON STONE!!

Y... YOU KNOW WHERE THE DEMON STONE IS!?
MICKEY!?
B... BUT I THOUGHT THERE WAS ONLY ONE DEMON STONE...!?
A... ANOTHER DEMON STONE!?
LET'S GO, DEMON STONE!!
WOW, THAT'S A WEIRD FACE...
ANOTHER DEMON STONE!!
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT!! I WAS WRONG ABOUT YOU!!
OH NO...
BUT HOW...?
N... NO WAY...

KILL!
KILL!
KILL!
KILL!
KILL!
LU!! TAKE MICKEY AND RUN!!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT THESE THINGS ARE...
ARE THESE CROWS!?
BUT WE HAVEN'T SEEN ONES LIKE THIS!! WHAT THE ...!?
KILL!
ARE THESE...
BIRDS!? OR PEOPLE!?
TH... THERE ARE SO MANY...!!

BUT I'LL KILL EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM!!
AHHHH HHH!!
KILL!
KILL!

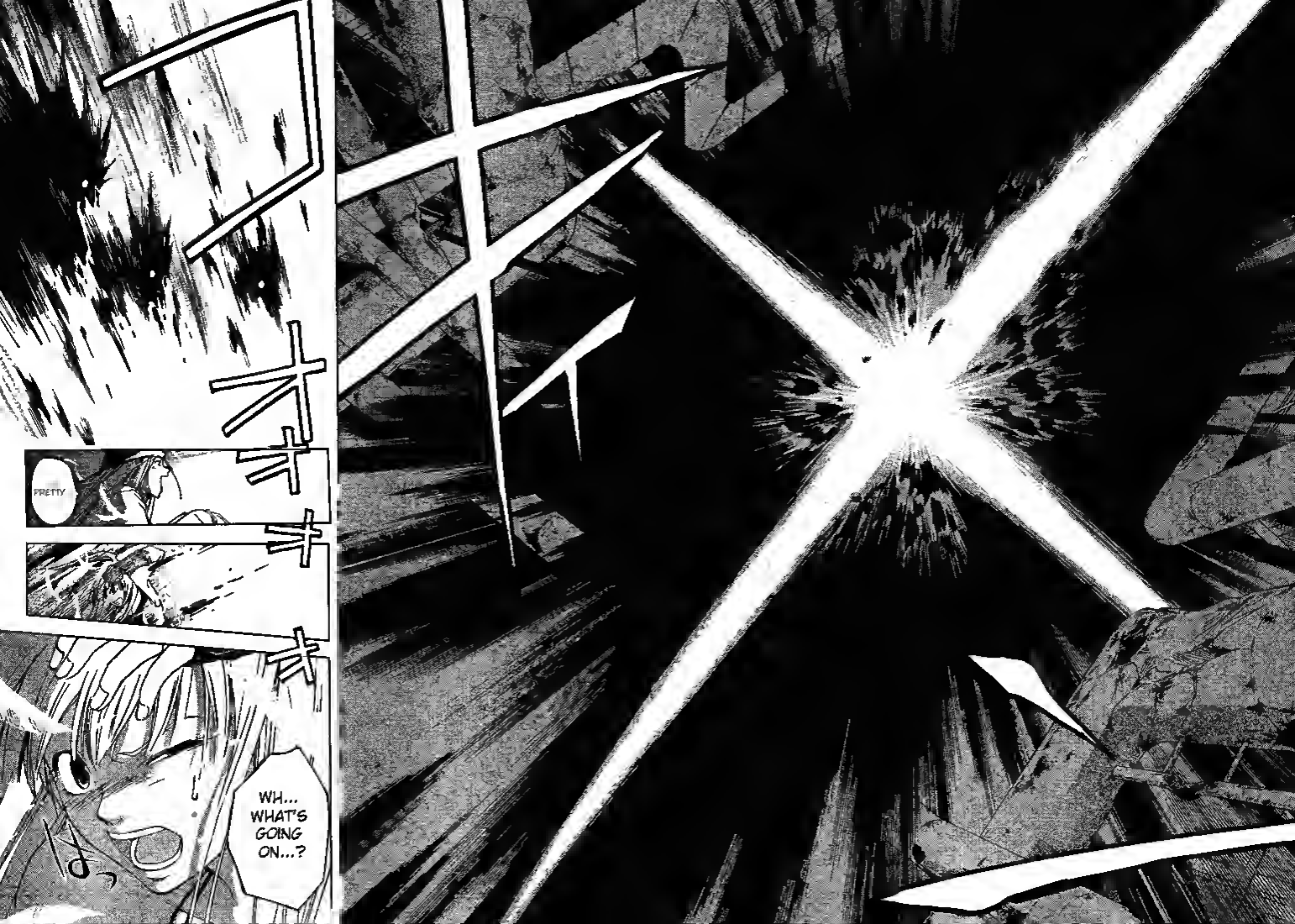
?!
IT DIDN'T WORK!?
GAH...!!

KILL!!
JOHN!?
JOHN'S POWERS DON'T WORK!?
SOMETHING ABOUT THESE CROWS IS DIFFERENT THEY'RE WAY MORE POWERFUL THAT THE ONES WE'VE SEEN BEFORE, AND THERE ARE MORE OF THEM...
BUT... BUT WHY?!
DAMN IT...

IS THERE SOMETHING...
KILL!
KILL!
IS THERE SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT THIS CITY AND ITS DEMON STONE!?
KILL!
J... JOHN!! IT'S NO USE, WE NEED TO GO!!
...WITH THIS MANY OF THEM, RUNNING WON'T HELP.
SFX GRIND
I'LL TRY TO SLOW THEM DOWN HERE WHILE YOU AND MICKEY ESCAPE...
...I CAN'T HOLD BACK WITH THESE GUYS BUT MAYBE IF I GO ALL-OUT..
N... NO...
IF JOHN LOSES CONTROL WHEN KAZAMI'S NOT AROUND TO STOP HIM...
WILL JOHN BE CONSUMED BY THE DEMON LORD'S SOUL!?

YOU BEAR THE CURSED BLOOD, SO IF YOU PERFORM THAT RITUAL, YOU MAY BE ABLE TO CONTROL HIM!!
LU!! YOU MUST PRAY FOR JOHN'S ARM!!
HUH!? AGAPE, HOW DID YOU...
QUICK-LY...!!
DO YOU WANT TO SEE JOHN DIE!? CAN YOU THINK OF ANY ALTERN-ATIVES!?
I WILL -NOT- DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
...WHAT!?
N... NO!!
LU!? WHAT ARE YOU DOING!? I TOLD YOU TO RUN...
HERE I COME!!
SEX JUMP

!?
GODS, HEAR MY PRAYER...!! I WISH FOR YOU TO GIVE THIS MAN...
POWER... THE POWER TO DEFEAT THE CROWS!!


PRETTY
WH... WHAT'S GOING ON...?

SFX SHOCK
A...
A BLADE!?
JOHN'S RIGHT ARM TURNED INTO A HUGE BLADE...!?
WILL THE PRINCESS'S KISS AWAKEN THE PRINCE!?
LU'S CURSED FATE WILL SHAKE THE WORLD!!
NEXT CHAPTER: INESCAPABLE FATE!!

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SHIROGANE NO KARASU

LU'S KISS IS A POWER-UP!!
WHAT'S HER SECRET?
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12th Night: CHAINS
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THE SILVERY CROW

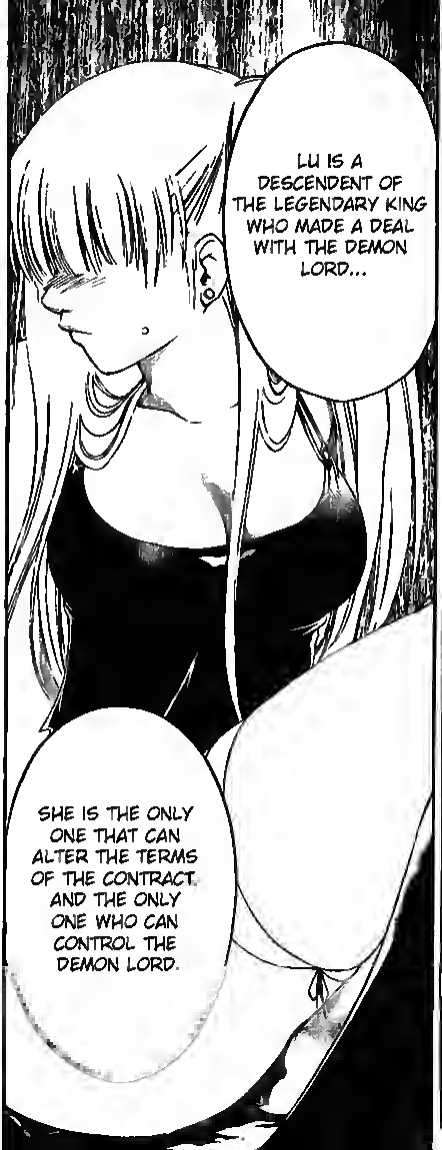
KILL!
KILL!
LOOK OUT, JOHN!
LOOK OUT!!
AHH!!

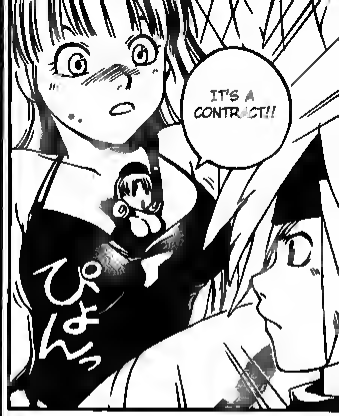
WAH...!!

JOHN!!
OH NO...
YEAH!!

HE'S JUST LIKE...
JOHN IS AMAZING
WOW
AN ANGEL!!

I FEEL LIKE MY POWER IS GROWING!!
WHAT THE... WHAT IS THIS?
BUT HOW...
YOU ...
WHAT ...
WHAT DID YOU DO...!?


LU IS A DESCENDENT OF THE LEGENDARY KING WHO MADE A DEAL WITH THE DEMON LORD...
SHE IS THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN ALTER THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT. AND THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN CONTROL THE DEMON LORD.


IT'S A CONTRACT!!
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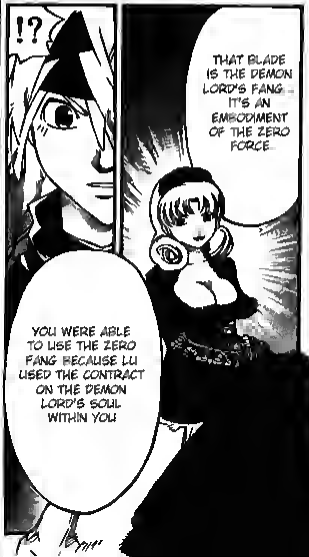
YOU WERE IN THERE? YOU MUST BE LIKE A COCKROACH IF YOU CAN FIT INTO SUCH A TIGHT SPACE! AND YOU'RE ALL BLACK, TOO!
WANT ME TO HIT YOU, BIRDBRAIN?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THAT BLADE IS THE DEMON LORD'S FANG... IT'S AN EMBODIMENT OF THE ZERO FORCE.
YOU WERE ABLE TO USE THE ZERO FANG BECAUSE LU USED THE CONTRACT ON THE DEMON LORD'S SOUL WITHIN YOU.

THE LEGENDS SAY THAT THE KING SACRIFICED HIS OWN FAMILY FOR THE BENEFIT OF HIS COUNTRY.
AND THUS THE DEMON STONE WAS CREATED.
THE DEMON LORD HEARD THE KING'S PLEA.
AND WAS BOUND BY A FORBIDDEN CONTRACT.
THE DEMON STONE WAS CREATED TO FULFILL THE WISH... BUT CROWS SOON PLAGUED THE WORLD WITH CHAOS AND DESTRUCTION...
...THIS WAS CALLED THE WORLD DECADENCE.
THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE DEMON LORD AND LLI'S FAMILY STILL WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST...
UNTIL THE DAY THE DEMON STONE IS DESTROYED...
AND...

THE RITUAL JUST NOW WAS TO FORCE THE DEMON LORD TO RECOGNIZE HER ROYAL BLOOD.
YOU CANNOT COMMUNICATE WITH THE DEMON LORD DIRECTLY BUT FY USING LU AS A CONDUIT.
UNTIL THAT CONTRACT IS BROKEN MY FAMILY AND I... HAVE NO FUTURE...
I CAN'T GO HOME EITHER...
YOU SAID SOMETHING BEFORE... SO IS THAT WHY YOU'RE TRYING TO RE-ASSEMBLE THE DEMON STONE?
WHEN THE STONE IS GONE, I'LL MAKE A NEW COUNTRY FROM SCRATCH!!
KISS! ♡
KISS! ♡
KISS! ♡
KISS! ♡
MICKEY..
...TH...

THIS IS HOW I MANIPULATED THE DEMON LORD'S CONTRACT! MY BLOOD IS CURSED!! I HAVE THIS ZERO MATRIX WRITTEN IN SOME DEMON LANGUAGE!!
IT'S...
IT'S ACTIVATED BY THE KISS RITUAL!!
...ZERO MATRIX?
KISS...?
I... I HAD NO CHOICE!! IT'S NOT MY FAULT THAT THE DEMON LORD'S SOUL IS INSIDE YOU...!!
I... I LIKE YOU AND ALL, BUT THAT K... KISS DIDN'T MEAN ANYTHING!!
IT'S OKAY...

IS THAT WHAT YOU SAY TO SOMEONE WHO SAVED YOU!? I... I HATE YOU!!
WH...
WHAT!?
YOU STUPID CROW!!
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YOU'RE KIND OF LIN-CUTE.
FINE!! BE AN ASSHOLE THEN!!
YOU'RE SO YOU'RE SO
WELL IT WASN'T JUST YOUR LIFE THAT WAS IN DANGER BECAUSE YOU CAN'T CONTROL YOUR OWN POWER!! GET IT!?
DON'T IGNORE ME!!
KISS
DO IT AGAIN.
DO IT AGAIN.
WHO SAVED WHO BACK THERE?
WH... WHAT!?
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A CHAIN!?
WHAT THE...?
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KILL!
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THE ONES THAT WERE CUT IN HALF ARE REGENERATING INTO TWO NEW ONES!?
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THEY REVIVED!?
WHAT!?
TH THEY
AND NOT JUST THAT

THIS IS SO FREAKY...!!
THESE CROWS AREN'T LIKE ANYTHING WE'VE SEEN BEFORE... IS THIS THE DEMON STONE'S EFFECT ON THE CITY...!?
KYAAA!!
AH!!

TAKE THIS!!
KISS! ♡
THAT CHAIN MUST SYMBOLIZE THE BONDS OF THE CONTRACT. IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S UNBREAKABLE.
EVEN I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS!
NOOO OOOO!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YOU IDIOT!?
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO!?
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO!?
BEE!! THEY JUST KEEP COMING BACK!!
WOW, THAT MADE MY SHOULDER HURT.
ARE YOU TRYING TO KILL ME?!

SILVER ZERO FLASH!!!
WHAT!?
HEY!
DAMN IT!! I CAN'T TAKE ANY MORE OF THIS!! WHAT A PAIN IN THE ASS!!

I GUESS THAT'S IT.
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DID THE CONTRACT BREAK?
WOW. THE GENERATIVE MATRIX WASN'T EATEN... AND I'M NOT TIRED AT ALL! THAT'S SO COOL!!
IT'S OVER!!
GOOD JOB!

I WONDER IF THEY'LL BE ABLE TO USE THAT POWER TO FIGHT TOGETHER...?
WHEN?!
WHY ARE YOU SO MAD?! I DID THANK YOU!
I THOUGHT YOU'D WEIGH A LOT LESS!
ARE YOU SAYING I'M FAT!?
CAN'T YOU JUST THANK ME!?
...WELL, IT'S GOOD THAT THEY'VE DISCOVERED A NEW POWER...
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MICKEY...?
MICKEY, WHERE'S THE DEMON STONE?
OH NO!! YOU BLEW UP TOO MUCH STUFF AND NOW THE WHOLE TUNNEL'S GOING TO COLLAPSE!! WE'VE GOT TO RUN!!
BUT THAT'S NOT ALL!

TH...
THAT'S...
WHAT IS THIS PLACE?!
AND WHO ARE THOSE PEOPLE?!
WHAT IS THIS INCONVENIENT POWER? AND WHAT IS THIS STRANGE PLACE THAT'S APPEARED BEFORE THEIR EYES!?
NEXT CHAPTER: A PLACE UNTOUCHED BY THE SUN!!
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THE 13TH NIGHT - THE TRUTH OF THE DEMON STONE

AKIMINE KAMIJYO

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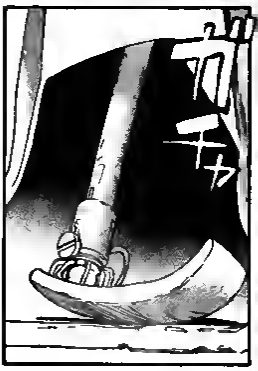
THE SILVERY CROW

THE THREE ARRIVE, BUT WHAT WILL THEY LEARN!?

JOHN IS A THIEF DETERMINED TO STEAL THE LEGENDARY DEMON STONE, WHICH CAN GRANT ANY WISH... BUT THE DEMON LORD SLEEPS WITHIN HIS BODY. JOHN AND HIS FRIENDS VISIT THE FLOATING CITY OF CENTRAL SIEG, WHERE THEY'RE ATTACKED BY A NEW BREED OF CROWS. WITH A KISS FROM LU, JOHN'S RIGHT ARM TRANSFORMS, ALLOWING THEM TO ESCAPE FROM DANGER.

DO PEOPLE REALLY LIVE UNDER GROUND LIKE THIS!?
BUT... IT'S NOTHING AT ALL LIKE THE CLEAN, PRETTY CITY ABOVE... WHAT'S GOING ON HERE ...?

YOU'RE... NOT FROM UP THERE ARE YOU?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WH... WHAT IS THIS PLACE...?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
Y... YOU'RE..
...I SUPPOSE THE UPWORLDERS WOULD CALL US "SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS"...?

CENTRAL SIEG RUNS ON A SPECIAL POWER SOURCE THAT GIVES IT UNRIVALED POWER AND CAPACITY.
THE PEOPLE ARE ALSO BLESSED WITH INCREDIBLE HEALTH AND VIGOR.
CENTRAL SIEG
BUT PERFECTION HAS ITS PRICE... THE SICK. THE CRIPPLED. THE OLD. ARE THROWN AWAY LIKE USELESS TRASH.
THEY ARE CAST OUT AND DRIVEN UNDERGROUND. THOSE WHO LIVE ABOVE GROUND ARE THE FIRST-CLASS CITIZENS. AND THOSE WHO LIVE BELOW HAVE COME TO BE CALLED THE SECOND-CLASS.
LIFE HERE IS DIFFERENT... EVEN FINDING FOOD IS DIFFICULT. AND OUR PRESENCE IS NOT TOLERATED ABOVE GROUND.

WE CAN DO IT, RIGHT!?
THAT'S HORRIBLE!! YOU SHOULD ALL WORK TOGETHER TO BEAT THOSE PEOPLE UP THERE!!
YOU SECOND CLASS SCUM...!
YOU'RE HOPELESS.
TH... THAT'S...
HUH? WHAT HAPPENED TO MICKEY?
MICKEY?
IT'S NO USE... WE CAN'T LEAVE THIS PLACE...
HEY!! STOP!! DON'T CROSS THAT LINE...
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WHAT...?
C... CROWS...!?
...SETTLE DOWN!! IF WE DON'T SHOW ANY RESISTANCE, THEY WON'T ATTACK. THEY'RE ONLY HERE TO PREVENT US FROM ESCAPING.
THEY'RE...
THEY'RE EVERYWHERE!
P... PRICE...!?
THAT IS THE PRICE WE MUST PAY IN ORDER TO SURVIVE....
C... CROWS TRAPPING PEOPLE...!? WHAT'S GOING ON...

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IT MUST TAKE A LOT OF POWER TO KEEP THIS ISLAND CITY FLOATING AND MOVING THROUGH THE AIR, DON'T YOU THINK?
FOR OUR VIRTUALLY INEXHAUSTABLE SOURCE OF POWER
BUT THAT'S WHAT WAS WISHED FOR...
THAT... IS THIS ISLAND'S POWER SOURCE...
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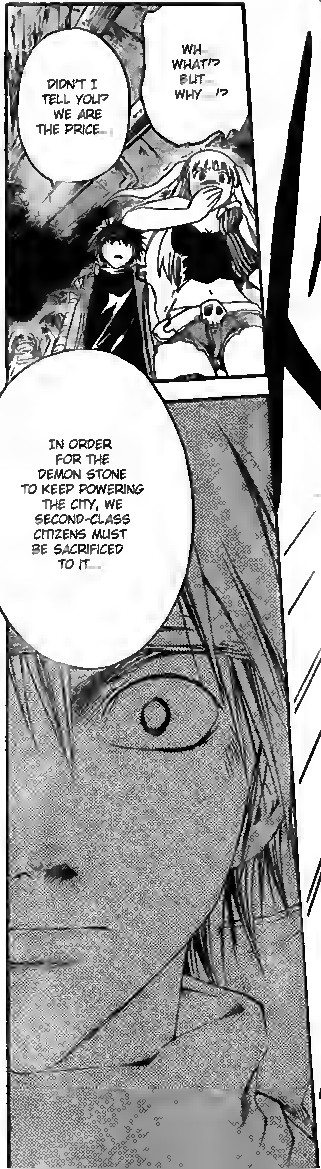
THAT'S RIGHT... THIS CITY IS...
W... WISHED?
N... NO WAY...

I THINK I KNOW WHAT'S POWERING THIS CITY...
THE DEMON STONE IS A POWER SOURCE...
THIS IS GREAT!!
IT'S KIND OF WEIRD-LOOKING THOUGH...
WOW, IT'S HUGE!! WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT WE'D FIND THE DEMON STONE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...?
HUH...!? THAT'S...
OH...
THIS CITY IS POWERED BY THE DEMON STONE...


WH-WHAT!? BUT... WHY...!?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU!? WE ARE THE PRICE...
IN ORDER FOR THE DEMON STONE TO KEEP POWERING THE CITY, WE SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS MUST BE SACRIFICED TO IT...

AHHHHH!!

ARE THOSE... PEOPLE!?

SO... SO THE DEMON STONE CAN FULFILL THE WISH...?
S... SACRIFICED...?
HE'S RIGHT...
THE FIRST TIME WE SAW A DEMON STONE, IT HAD TAKEN THAT LORD'S SOUL...
AND THE SECOND TIME, WITH MAKORI... IT TOOK MAKORI'S LIFE...
WAS THAT... THE "PRICE" OF THE WISH...!?
BUT WITHOUT THAT POWER... WITHOUT THAT SACRIFICE... THERE WOULD BE NO WISH...
BUT PEOPLE STILL WISH... PEOPLE STILL HOPE...

IS AN EVIL POWER THAT PREYS ON PEOPLE'S DESIRES...
PEOPLE LIVE THEIR LIVES IN IGNORANCE
SOME WANT POWER
SOME JUST WANT TO SEE IT
THEIR KID'S DREAMS COME TRUE
AND SOME WANT TO HAVE A HUMAN HAND...!!
THE DEMON STONE WAS NEVER JUST A MAGIC ROCK THAT COULD GRANT ANY WISH
THE DEMON STONE...

AN EVIL POWER
I KNEW IT... THE DEMON STONE SHOULDN'T EXIST...
THIS IS A CONTRACT MADE WHEN THE DEMON STONE WAS CREATED!
THAT STONE...
HAS TO BE DESTROYED...!!
AND I'LL DO IT WITH THIS HAND - THIS HAND THAT CARRIES THE CURSED BLOOD FROM WHEN THE DEMON STONE WAS MADE!!
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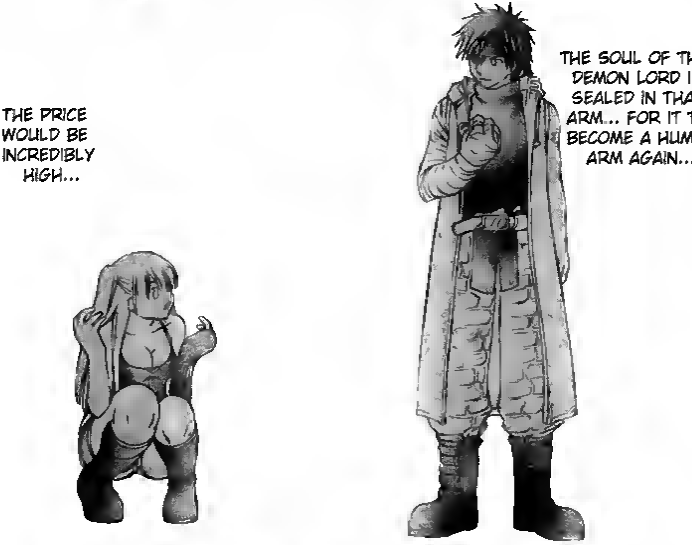
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING...?
JOHN...
IF HE USES THE DEMON STONE TO GRANT HIS WISH, WHAT WILL THE PRICE BE...!?


THE SOUL OF THE DEMON LORD IS SEALED IN THAT ARM... FOR IT TO BECOME A HUMAN ARM AGAIN...
THE PRICE WOULD BE INCREDIBLY HIGH...

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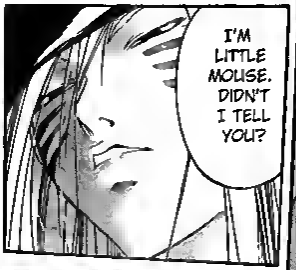
HUH!?
WE ALSO HAVE A "WISH."
IT JUST GRANTS OUR WISHES... WE ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE...
YOU SAY THE DEMON STONE IS EVIL... BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S NECESSARILY TRUE...
A LOAF OF BREAD...
A FEW COINS...
A FREE BODY AND A KIND HEART...
IF ONLY...
THERE WAS A SAVIOR...
IT CAN'T BE...
HUH...!?

...HUH?
TCH...
DID I MISS?
WH... WHAT'S GOING ON...!? WHAT THE HELL...!?
KYAAA!!

YOU...
MICKEY ...?

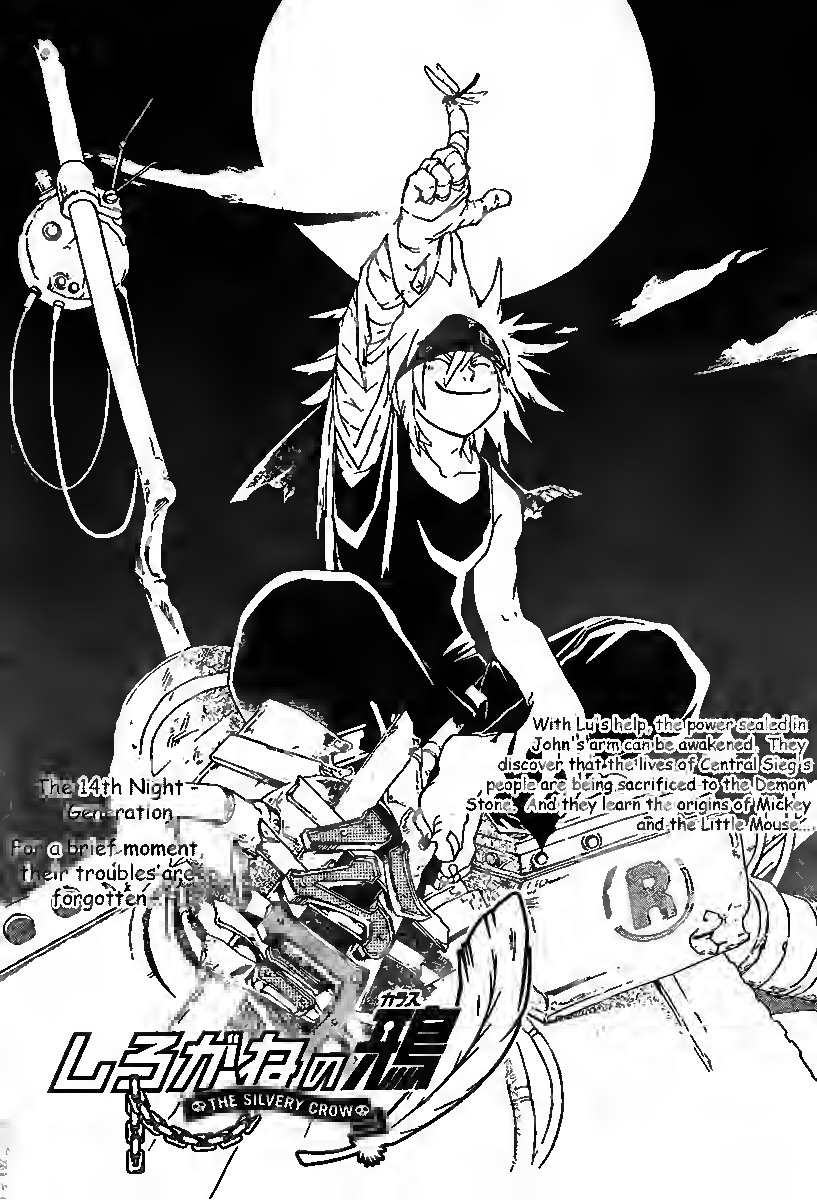

I'M LITTLE MOUSE. DIDN'T I TELL YOU?

HE CHANGED AGAIN... DOES HE REALLY HAVE MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES!?

I THOUGHT I GOT YOU. TOO BAD, TOO BAD.
WILL YOU PLAY WITH ME SOME MORE, MR. SILVERY CROW??

OH!? THE SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS ARE ALL LINED UP...
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU DON'T LOOK HAPPY TO SEE ME!
GRR
PFF
YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY... BECAUSE YOU USED THE DEMON STONE TO MAKE A WISH, I WAS BORN...
WHAT'S WRONG? I GIVE YOU EVERYTHING YOU WISH FOR...
?
HE WAS... BORN FROM THE DEMON STONE!?
IT'S TRUE... WE USED THE DEMON STONE...

TO WISH FOR A SAVIOR... AND WE GOT THE LITTLE MOUSE.
BUT THE PRICE...
M... MICKEY!?
A DEMON BORN FROM THE DEMON STONE...!! JOLIN AND LU ARE ASSAILED BY THE GLOOMY DARKNESS!!
WAS THAT WE WOULD BE PLAGUED BY THIS DEMON...
NEXT CHAPTER: A REAL DEMON!!


The 14th Night Generation
For a brief moment, their troubles are forgotten...
With Lu's help, the power sealed in John's arm can be awakened. They discover that the lives of Central Sieg's people are being sacrificed to the Demon Stone. And they learn the origins of Mickey and the Little Mouse...
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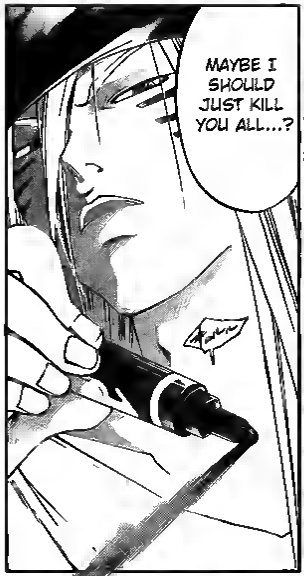
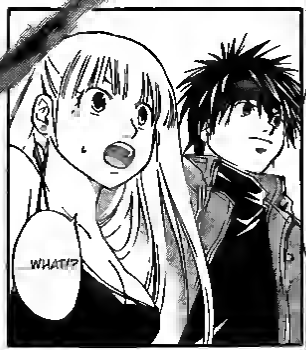
THE SILVERY CROW

THEY CALL THEMSELVES "KNIGHTS", BUT THEY'RE JUST A BUNCH OF THUGS...
IS THAT CENTRAL SIEG'S ARMY...?
FUCK THIS SHIT.
HEY...
BUT THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO, RIGHT?
NICE ID!
THEY'RE RANKED AS C-CLASS SOLDIERS, RIGHT?
WHATEVER. WE COULD TAKE OUT THOSE SHITTY KNIGHTS EASY
I THINK I CAN SEE THE SEA EVEN
TRANSIENT. YEAH... SO I GUESS THIS IS JUST A MIRAGE
OR IS THAT MERELY MY IMAGINATION?
THIS TRANSIENT FLOATING CITY WAS CREATED USING THE DEMON STONE'S POWER... ACTUAL DEFENSE AND PEACEKEEPING WOULDN'T BE HANDLED BY THESE SOLDIERS ANYWAY...
CORRECT?

BUT WE'VE LOST JOHN AND MISS LU... I HOPE THEY'RE ALRIGHT...
MISS LU
I'M SURE THEY'RE FINE
IT'S PERFECTLY NATURAL FOR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN TO GO OFF ALONE TOGETHER
HUH!?
B...BOSS!? THAT'S YOU CAN'T BE IMPLYING...
AM I WRONG?
WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS WHO'S USING THE DEMON STONE TO MAINTAIN THIS CITY...
JOHN... DON'T OVERDO IT, OKAY...?
BUILDING THIS CITY MUST HAVE COST HUMAN LIVES, AND NO NORMAL PERSON COULD BE SO HEARTLESS...

OH NO...


MAYBE I SHOULD JUST KILL YOU ALL...?


WHAT!?

MICKEY WAS BORN FROM THE DEMON STONE... AND THE PRICE WAS THIS MONSTER...!?
YOU ALL WISHED FOR THE LITTLE MOUSE TO SAVE YOU, AND SO I WAS BORN... BUT NOW YOU CALL ME A MONSTER?

BYE BYE!!
UWAAAAH!!

...JOHN!!
I DON'T REALLY WANT TO KILL YOU, SO QUIT PLAYING AROUND!
TELL ME WHERE FUKUROU IS!!
AH!! DID I MENTION HIM? YOU'RE A COOL GUY.
LET'S SEE IF YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BEAT ME BEFORE I SAY ANYTHING ABOUT FUKUROU.
AND I...
REALLY WILL KILL YOU.

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GAH!!
JOHN!!
WHERE DID HE GET THOSE WEAPONS FROM...!?
AND THOSE WEAPONS HAVE THE POWER TO CUT RIGHT THROUGH SOLID STEEL! THEY EVEN MANAGED TO WOUND JOHN'S ZERO ARM!! BUT HOW...!?
AHAHAHA!! IT'S NO USE!! MY WEAPONS COULD CUT RIGHT THROUGH YOUR ARM!!
HE'S GONE...!?

THEN I'LL MAKE YOU TELL ME!!
OH NO!! HE FELL RIGHT INTO THE MIDDLE OF THOSE CROWS
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ARE YOU LIKE KAZAMI!? YOU MUST BE...
CROWS CAN'T BE HURT BY NORMAL WEAPONS. BUT HE JUST KILLED THEM. !!
WHAT !?

A GENERATIVE MASTER...!?
IT ALL MAKES SENSE NOW! THAT'S HOW HE WAS ABLE TO WOUND JOHN'S RIGHT ARM...!!
AND MY ABILITY COUNTERS THE SILVERY CROW!
FUFUFU... SO YOU FINALLY NOTICED? THAT'S RIGHT! I'M A GENERATIVE MASTER!!
WHY... DO PEOPLE GROW UP?
WHY DO THEY MAKE THINGS, AND BUILD CITIES, AND CARE FOR LIVING THINGS, AND SING SONGS?
PEOPLE ARE BORN WITH ALL OF THOSE THINGS INSIDE THEM... THEY'RE ENDOWED WITH THE POWER TO MAKE SOMETHING FROM NOTHING
THAT'S THE GENERATIVE FORCE

THE POWER OF GROWTH, AS A CHILD BECOMES AN ADULT...
THE POWER OF CREATION AS THEIR BODIES PRODUCE BREATH AND SWEAT AND THEIR HANDS WORK TO MAKE FIRE...
THE POWER OF CULTIVATION, AS THEY GROW SEEDS AND ANIMALS AND ALL LIVING THINGS...
THE POWER OF CREATIVITY AS THEY PRODUCE FINE ART AND SCHOLARSHIP IN PICTURES, SONGS AND SCIENCE...
ALL PEOPLE HAVE THE ABILITY TO GENERATE SUBSTANCE OUT OF NOTHINGNESS. THEY LIVE AND GROW AND DEVELOP... THE POSSIBILITIES ARE LIMITLESS.

IT'S LIKE HOW KAZAMI USED HIS BREATH TO MAKE WIND... I GUESS THAT'S THE FORM OF HIS GENERATIVE FORCE...
SO... SO THIS IS ALL GENERATIVE FORCE...!?
ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU USE DRAWINGS TO FIGHT!?
BUT THEN YOU SHOULD BE WEAK TO THE CROW'S ZERO POWER...
BUT I'M A GENERATIVE MASTER
EVERYONE IS BORN WITH THE POWER...
BUT I CAN AMPLIFY IT AND USE IT TO MAKE ANYTHING I WANT A REALITY!!
HE... HE CAN MAKE HIS DRAWINGS REAL!?

I'LL KILL THEM!!
NO WAY THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE
THIS IS THE GENERATIVE FORCE!!
I CREATE GENERATIVE WEAPONS THAT CAN OPPOSE THE ZERO FORCE...
SO IF I'M FIGHTING CROWS...
JOHN!

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GAH!!
HE'S SO STRONG!!
I DON'T KNOW HOW, BUT HE MUST HAVE INFINITE POWER IF HE CAN CREATE ANYTHING... IS THERE NO WAY TO PREDICT HIS MOVES...!?
THIS IS GENERATIVE POWER!! ANYTHING I IMAGINE CAN BE MADE REAL!!
ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!!
INTER ESTING
BUT I'LL BEAT YOU WITH JUST ONE HIT...
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A TRAP!?

GAAAAAHHHH!!
I CALL IT... "MOUSE TRAP!!"

J... JOHN!! ARE YOU OKAY!?
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JOHN!
LU!!
CAN'T YOU HELP HIM!? WITHOUT YOUR HELP, HE CAN'T USE THE DEMON KING'S CONTRACT TO DRAW OUT HIS POWER!! WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO HIM!?
HUH!?
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N... NO WAY!! I AM NOT GOING TO KISS HIM AGAIN!! I DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO DO WITH THAT BIRDBRAIN WHO CAN'T EVEN USE HIS OWN POWERS!!
C... CONTRACT ...?
I HAVE TO DO *THAT* AGAIN!?
YOU'RE NOT CUTE AT ALL

HE... HE THINKS OF ME AS JUST A BURDEN!? THAT JERK!!
WHAT ...!?
YEAH, WELL IT WAS A LOT EASIER FIGHTING BY MYSELF UNTIL I STARTED DRAGGING YOU AROUND!!
I AM NEVER KISSING THAT IDIOT AGAIN!!
CALM DOWN, YOU TWO!
IF YOU'VE GOT TIME TO FOOL AROUND...
YOU'VE GOT TIME TO FIGHT!!
SHOT

PLEASE!! LU, IF YOU DON'T...
MAYBE I'LL TORTURE YOU SO YOU DIE SLOWLY... THAT SOUNDS LIKE FUN
WHAT IF YOUR ZERO POWER CAN'T BEAT ME? WHAT THEN?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
LU!!
JOHN DOESN'T STAND A CHANCE WITHOUT ME!!
THE GODDESS OF VICTORY HAS ABANDONED OUR HERO!! IS THERE ANY HOPE!?
NEXT CHAPTER: BACK AND FORTH!!

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RECAP
WITH LU'S HELP, THE POWER SEALED IN JOHN'S ARM CAN BE AWAKENED. IN A BATTLE WITH THE LITTLE MOUSE, JOHN IS TOTALLY OVERWHELMED. AND AFTER AN ARGUEMENT WITH LU, HIS POWER CAN'T BE ACTIVATED! WITHOUT THE DEMON'S LORD'S STRENGTH, THEY'RE IN BIG TROUBLE...
IS THERE A LIGHT OF HOPE IN THE MIDST OF A HOPELESS BATTLE...!?
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YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR IT! VOLUME 1 IS ON SALE FROM KODANSHA COMICS ON OCTOBER 17TH!!
THE 15TH NIGHT + MONSTER
AKIMINE KAMIJYO

AHAHA HAHA!! THIS IS FUN!!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE FELT THIS KIND OF TENSION!!
IT'S ABOUT TIME...
WE FINISHED THIS!!
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UWAAAAAH!
H...HEY!! YOU'RE DESTROYING EVERYTHING!!
D...DON'T SAY THAT...
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, LU!? AT THIS RATE THE ENTIRE CITY WILL BE TORN APART!!

MOUSE TRAP!!
GAAHH!!
JOHN!!
EVEN IF JOHN COULD TRANSFORM ON HIS OWN, WHAT WOULD A BLADE DO AGAINST INFINITE WEAPONS...? HOW CAN WE STOP THIS GUY...?
DAMN IT!!! I WISH WE HAD A MAGIC ERASER THAT WOULD GET RID OF THAT GUY'S DRAWINGS...!!
IT'S EASIER TO FIGHT ON MY OWN WITHOUT YOU WATCHING ME, JOHN!!
OH... OH MY GOD!! WHAT THE HELL AM I THINKING!?
I... I DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO DO WITH THAT JERK!!

I WAS CREATED BY THE DEMON STONE TO GRANT THEIR WISH
ARE YOU TRYING TO DESTROY THE WHOLE CITY!? DON'T YOU KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD DIE!?
HEHEHE...!! IT LOOKS LIKE YOU FELL FOR MY TRAP!! YOU HAVE A NICE SCREAM, MR. SILVERY CROW?
AND ONCE THE REQUEST IS FULFILLED, I'LL DISAPPEAR.
SORRY, BUT
THEY'RE JUST NOT WORTH DYING FOR...
WHAT?
I HOPE THEY ALL DIE!!
GAH!!
THAT THAT'S
YOU'RE SO SELFISH!!
HOW SELF-CENTERED CAN YOU BE!?

LITTLE MOUSE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A NOBLE THIEF THAT WOULD SAVE US!!
IF ONLY WE HADN'T MADE THAT WISH WITH THE DEMON STONE... A MONSTER LIKE YOU WOULDN'T EXIST!!
THIS PRICE IS TOO MUCH!!
GAH
AH!!
YOU... YOU MONSTER!!
I... I WON'T LET YOU DO THIS...

HUH!?
YEAH... I GUESS I AM A MONSTER
MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT... SO
I'LL KILL YOU ALL!!

GAH!
AH!
DAMN IT...
HUH?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
PFFFFFFT

DAMN IT, YOU REALLY ARE A BIRD BRAIN!!
YOU NEED TO COOL YOUR HEAD!!
NO, WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
DOES HE LOOK LIKE A MONSTER THAT HURTS PEOPLE WITHOUT CARING!?
I NEVER SAID...
HUH?
ARE YOU LISTENING OR DO I NEED TO ANOTHER BUCKET!?
I NEVER SAID HE WAS A MONSTER.
JOHN YOU ARE...
HE'S JUST LIKE ME...
IF NOT FOR KUROI, I PROBABLY WOULD HAVE TURNED OUT LIKE THAT TOO...
JOHN'S GOT A FREAKY ARM!
EWWW!
EEEEW!!
WH...
WHAT?
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SO I'M GOING TO PUT A STOP TO THIS.
BUT I NEED THIS ARM, AND I CAN'T DO IT ALONE.
OH MY, THIS WOULD BE A GOOD TIME FOR A CHANGE OF HEART, WOULDN'T IT?
OH, THAT POOR, WRETCHED MAN JUST CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL SORRY FOR HIM

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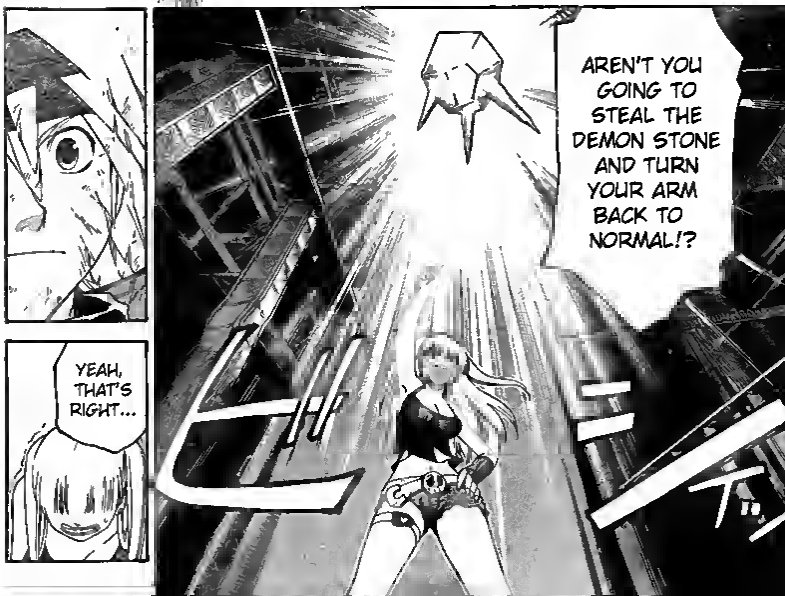
WHAT!?
ARE YOU THAT STUPID? YOU'RE A HALF-DEMON THIEF, AND NOW YOU WANNA PLAY HERO!? WELL, TOO BAD!

WHAT!? THERE WAS NOTHING YOU COULD DO!? DID YOU FORGET WHAT YOU'RE HERE FOR!?
WH... WHAT WAS I SUPPOSED TO DO!?
Y YOU CAN'T BEAT LU IN A SHOUTING MATCH
ARE YOU A MAN!? WHAT ABOUT THOSE DREAMS AND IDEALS YOU'RE ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT!?
HUH!!?
JUST LOOK AT YOURSELF!! YOU'RE A WRECK, AND YOU'RE ON THE VERGE OF GETTING KILLED! AND THEN YOU HAVE THE GALL TO MAKE SOME DRAMATIC SPEECH SO I'LL SAVE YOUR SORRY ASS!!?


AREN'T YOU GOING TO STEAL THE DEMON STONE AND TURN YOUR ARM BACK TO NORMAL!?
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT...

I WISH YOU WORRIED HALF AS MUCH ABOUT YOUR OWN LIFE AS YOU WORRY ABOUT CURRY!!
AND THAT TIME...
YOU WANT TO SAVE EVERYONE, DON'T YOU? BUT...
IF YOU USE YOUR POWER, THE ZERO FORCE WILL CONSUME YOU...
LIKE THAT TIME...
SORRY. BUT I PROMISED MYSELF THAT I'D SAVE HIM...
AND I DON'T GO BACK ON MY WORD.
DAMN IT!! THERE'S NO OTHER WAY...
YOU RE HOPELESSLY STUPID!! THERE'S NO POINT IN TALKING TO YOU!! YOU NEVER UNDERSTAND!!
I GIVE UP...
!?
JOHN...

LU...

I'LL FIGHT WITH YOU...!!
N...
NOW DO WHAT YOU SAID YOU'D DO, AND SAVE HIM!
OKAY!!
WITH THE DEMON LORD'S FANG, THEY'LL...
JOHN!
LU...
THEY ARE GOING TO WIN!!
WHAT!?

KOKOKO
WH... WHAT THE HELL IS THAT!?
OH... OH MY GOD!! WHY IS IT SO WEIRD!? WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BLADE FROM LAST TIME!?
AHHHH, WHAT IS THAT THING!? IT'S CREEPY...
WHAT KIND OF CONTRACT DID YOU MAKE WITH THE DEMON LORD!?
I... I DON'T KNOW!! D... DON'T CRITICIZE ME!!
I'M NOT CRITICIZING YOU, BUT HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO FIGHT WITH THIS!?
TIME'S UP, NO MORE BREAKS...

NOW WE FIGHT...
OKAY? ♡
KYAAAAAA!!

AHHHHHHHHH!!

Y... YOU...
YOU ERASED THEM JUST LIKE THAT!?
W... WOW...
THE DEMON LORD'S BODY BURNS WITH BLOOD LIKE LAVA! BLOOD THAT CAN SCORCH THROUGH ANYTHING
THAT'S THE "BLOOD"!
THAT'S A WHIP MADE FROM THE BLOOD OF THE DEMON LORD!!
THIS IS COOL!! IT'S EVEN STRONGER THAN THE "FANG"!!

WITH THIS, THERE'S NO WAY I WON'T WIN!!
YOU'RE STUBBORN, MR. SILVERY CROW... TOO STUBBORN. IT'S NOT FUN ANYMORE.
SO...
BRING IT ON!!
WHATEVER YOU DRAW, I'LL JUST ERASE IT WITH MY SUPER MAGIC ERASER!!
I'LL END THIS WITH ONE FINAL ATTACK!!

BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! DID IT READ MY SUB CONSCIOUS THOUGHTS!?
E... ERASER?
BUT THAT JUST ISN'T POSSIBLE...
AND THE ZERO MATRIX IS DIFFERENT THIS TIME...
THIS IS AN UNTESTED POWER... BUT IT'S A DO OR DIE SITUATION!
IN THE MIDDLE OF A WHITE-HOT BATTLE, LU MAKES A DECISION!! WHAT DOES HER HEART SAY!?
NEXT CHAPTER: ANOTHER NIGHTMARE!!